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Bush Showing Strength in Early Count

Wall Street Buyout: The No-Fade Fad?

By Sarah Bartlett New York Times Service NEW YORK — Wall Street ogues have a habit of passing through like tornadoes, leaving cor-porate America to pick up the

The trend to assemble diverse companies into conglomerates, the

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eces afterward.

rage in the 1960s and 1970s, was swept aside by the corporate raid-ers of the early 1980s.

But the latest Wall Street fad, the conversion of giant, publicly held companies into private entities, is ikely to have a more lasting effect than its predecessors.

It is creating a new breed of corporate owner, one that is both more closely involved with management and driven by a need to

The roster of new corporate owners includes the same pension funds and insurance companies that came to dominate stock market trading. But today, these large institutional investors have banded together to hankfull the takeovers of entire corporations.

Think of it as a new form of Where a small investor might place \$10,000 with a fund manager, who in turn invests in a basket of stocks, today's pension fund executive might give \$50 million of an \$8 billion portfolio to a fund that buys public companies and takes them private. Each ends up with a diver-sified portfolio: one of stocks, the

other of companies. The pension funds and other large investors do not exert direct control over their new corporate wards. Instead, the funds in which they have invested choose the companies they want to take private, in deals that usually are friendly, and then dictate to a considerable de

gree how they are run. This change in the form of corporate ownership has drastically al-tered the behavior of some American companies and their managers, sometimes for the better, some-

The financial technique propelling this phenomenon is the leveraged buyout, which has enabled more than 500 companies to go private in the last three years.

In such a transaction, a small group of investors and managers offers to buy all stock owned by a company's public shareholders and to assume its debt obligations. To finance a deal of this sort, an investment group will make a down payment of, for example, 10 per-

cent, and borrow the rest.

Banks typically provide about 50 percent or more of the debt, with the remainder coming from "junk bond" investors, such as insurance companies and mutual funds.

Because the down payment is such a small proportion of the to-tal, it takes a relatively small amount of money for these new owners to gain control of large

In the case of the Borg-Warner Corp., a conglomerate with \$3.4 billion in sales, Merrill Lynch & Co.'s fund acquired it with a down payment of only \$200 million in

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Sandinistas Find

By Julia Preston

MANAGUA — The govern-ment has received a lukewarm re-

months as a result of the storm. Nicaragua on Oct. 22, has underlined the predicament of the Sandinista government in its 10th year in power: neither the West nor the Soviet bloc is willing to adopt and underwrite its experiment in revolutionary socialism, even in the

Kiosk

B-1 Bomber

Crashes in U.S. ABILENE, Texas (Combined Dispatches) — A B-1 bomber crashed Tuesday 10 miles (16 kilometers) west of here, the U.S. Air Force said. There were reports that at least four people parachuted

A spokeswoman for Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene said: "A plane has crashed. That's all we know right now." She confirmed that the plane was a B-1 bomber.

It was the second crash of a B-1, which is designed to penetrate, Soviet airspace at ground-hugging level with nu-clear and conventional bombs and missiles. (AP, Reuters)

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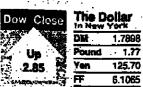
from the plane.

Defying Lech Walesa, shipyard workers in Gdansk launch two new strikes. Page 6. Chinese troops were deployed in rescue efforts as the death toll from an earthquake on Sunday neared 1,000. Page 8. The Canadian election may

hang on one woman's campaign against the trade pact with the U.S.

Business/Finance

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled states may tax some income from oil and gas from the Outer Continental Shelf. Page 15. Société Générale of Belginm raised its stake in Vicille-Montagne, the big zinc producer, to Page 15.



Appeals Unheeded

Washington Post Service

sponse to its calls for international aid to repair the ravages of a recent hurricane, increasing the prospects of a financial crisis that many officials say they expect in coming The hurricane, which tore up towns and croplands across central

aged, according to reports reaching wake of a bruising natural disaster.

ta community and church organizations in the United States led the list of donors of food, medicines and other emergency items, totaling about 2,500 tons. Canada, Sweden, West Germany, Spain and the Netherlands have promised to support small reconstruction projects with about \$2 million each. The

Union's planned economic assistance for 1988, now at about \$300 million. The Soviet Union, battling its own economic hard times, has sought to avoid increases in its aid commitments to Managua.

Since 1985, as Nicaragua's politi-



diplomat said. . Damage reports continued to trickle in from crippled govern-ment agencies and from villages that were cut off from the capital by washed-out roads and severed communications. The electric company alone suffered \$2.5 million in losses, officials said. A multimillion-dollar port under construc-tion at El Bluff, a Bulgarian project on the East coast, was heavily dam-

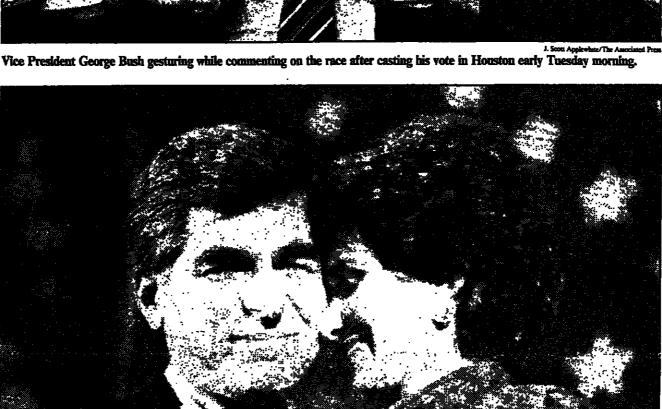
More than 80,000 people remain homeless and losses in coffee, bananas and other export crops are valued at as much as \$50 million, economists said. Nicaragua may earn less than \$200 million from all its exports this year, a sum that will cover only about a quarter of its

Reynaldo Teffel, head of the National Emergency Committee that handles the international hurricane aid, described it as "really insuffi-

cient" for the scope of the problem. Cuba, Mexico and pro-Sandinis-U.S. government provided no aid.

The Soviet ambassador, Valery Nikolayenko, said there would be "some increase" in the Soviet

cal isolation has grown, the aid it receives from sources worldwide See NICARAGUA, Page 7



Governor Michael S. Dukakis, the Democratic Party candidate, and his wife, Kitty, during a stopover in Tacoma, Washington.

Iran and Iraq to Trade Some Prisoners

GENEVA — Iraq and Iran agreed Tuesday to an immediate exchange of sick and wounded prisoners of war, the first tangible progress in their peace talks since a place as soon as possible." cease-fire in the Gulf War took

effect in August.

Both sides said it was up to the International Committee of the Red Cross to arrange the exchange, which will involve no more than a few thousand prisoners.

Iraq said in a statement in Geneva that it was accepting an Iranian proposal to exchange the prisoners Iraqi foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, relayed the decision to the presi-

Cornelio Sommaruga.
"The president told me," Mr. Aziz said. "that he will do his best so that this operation will take

An Iranian negotiator confirmed that the exchange could go ahead, according to the official Iranian

news agency.
The Gulf War adversaries had previously disagreed on many is-sues. Negotiators had said the

talks, which started Aug. 25, were

Iran had refused an Iraqi request on humanitarian grounds. The for an immediate exchange of all prisoners of war, estimated at had been deteriorating and sub-100,000, saying Iraqi troops must stantive progress had been lacking.

exchanging sick prisoners.

the two sides, repatriation could trust built during eight years of begin almost immediately.

A Red Cross doctor must verify that each prisoner is able to travel and another Red Cross delegate must interview each prisoner without witnesses to make sure he

wants to return. in Kuwait tha Diplomats said the United Na- on for years. tions mediator, Jan Eliasson, would welcome the breakthrough because the atmosphere at the talks

first leave its soil. But it agreed to Early in the talks, Mr. Eliasson and the UN secretary-general, Ja-A spokesman for the Red Cross vier Pérez de Cuellar, stressed the committee said that once technical need for small confidence-building details had been worked out with steps that could erode the deep mis-

> There was still no sign of progress on other important military and political elements of the talks. The Iranian deputy foreign minis-ter, Ali Mohammed Besharati, said in Kuwait that the talks could drag

"After eight years of war," he said at a news conference, "there cannot be a solution in one night. They need a long time. Our opinion is they will last for several years."

Indiana, Kentucky Go to Republican

By Fred Farris

WASHINGTON — Vice Presi-dent George Bush took an early parts of Idaho and Montana. lead on Tuesday over Governor Michael S. Dukakis of Massachusetts as the first ballots were counted in the presidential election.

utional Herald Tribune

Despite vigorous campaigning late Monday and early Tuesday by his Democratic opponent, Mr. Bush, the Republican candidate, held a strong lead over Mr. Dukakis at 7 P.M. EST in the first states reporting, Indiana and Kentucky. Based on an initial sampling, in-

diana's voters gave Mr. Bush 60 percent and Mr. Dukakis 40 percent. In Kentucky, early results gave 54.4 percent to Mr. Bush and 44.9 percent to Mr. Dukakis. The Associated Press declared

Mr. Bush the winner of Kentucky's nine electoral votes and Indiana's Indiana, the home state of Mr.

Quayle, has consistently voted for Republican presidential candidates since 1964. Kentucky last voted Democratic in 1976. The first reports, while favoring Mr. Bush, represented only a trick-le of the results from across the

United States, and it was too early to project a national trend. After polls closed at 7 P.M., ABC News projected that Mr. Bush would also win Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama and New

Hampshire. These states along with Kentucky and Indiana would give Mr. Bush 78 of the 270 electoral votes he needs to win. President Ronald Reagan's chief of staff, Kenneth Duberstein, said

the White House pollster, Richard Wirthlin, had "not detected any movement from what we expected which would indicate George Bush is continuing to hold solid." Although both Kentucky and In-

diana were clearly in the Bush camp, Mr. Dukakis's campaign manager, Susan Estrich, said that the election remained wide open and that working people were go-ing in large numbers to the Dukakis-Bentsen ticket.

Weather was good for voting countrywide, although there was

Besides their 41st president, Americans were also electing 33 senators and the entire 435-member House, as well as 12 governors and thousands of other state and local officials.

Of the Senate seats being filled, 18 are held by Democrats and 15

Voters were united on one major point: disappointment. Page 3. The candidates wave their last hurralis to photographers. Page 3.

by Republicans. By most estimates the Democrats, now holding a 54-to-46 majority, should keep con-

Democrats control the House by 255-to-177 margin, and not even the most partisan Republicans ex-

pect that to change very much. Bush's running mate, Senator Dan Election experts had estimated that 129.5 million Americans were registered to vote — slightly lower than in 1984 — and the nonpartisan Committee for the Study of the American Electorate predicted the total vote would be at its lowes level in 40 years.

Some surveys suggested that voters were disappointed with both candidates and would stay away from the polls.

Private assessments of the Bush and Dukakis campaigns indicated over the weekend that Mr. Bush was six to nine percentage points ahead of Mr. Dukakis, but the Democratic nominee hoped to narrow that margin with nonstop, cross-country campaigning Mon-day and early Tuesday.

"I think tonight we're not only

going to surprise a few people, but we're going to be doing the cele-brating," Mr. Dukakis told supporters at the Boston airport as he returned home Tuesday morning from a trip that included a 3 A.M. rally in Des Moines, lowa, and a predawn stop in Detroit. "I come away from all of this

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2 Results (1 Counts)

In N.H. Town

DIXVILLE NOTCH, New Hampshire — The first election results in the United States saw a landslide victory for Vice President George Bush two minutes after mid-

Mr. Bush won 34 votes to three for his Democratic opponent Michael S. Dukakis. the governor of Massachu-

night Tuesday morning, when

polls closed here.

Mr. Dukakis's showing surprised local pollsters, who had forecast that he would get only one vote,

It took 110 seconds for the town's voters to cast their ballots. Since 1960, Dixville Notch has been the first U.S. town to declare its results in presidential elections.

Bush Landslide At Harry's Bar,

55% for Bush

PARIS - Vice President George Bush won the U.S. presidential election over Governor Michael S. Dukakis on Tuesday, according to a straw ballot by American clients of Harry's New York Bar

A final count of the ballots. which have piled up in a locked and chained box since Oct. 27, gave the Republican candidate 579 votes, or 55 percent, to 471 votes, or 45 per-

cent, for Mr. Dukakis. The straw vote, held in the bar since 1924, has correctly predicted the result of every election except for 1976, when Gerald R. Ford beat Jimmy Carter by two votes. Mr. Carter won the election with 51 percent of the vote.

PLO Grapples With Recognition Issue as Key Meeting Nears

By Alan Cowell New York Times Service

AMMAN, Jordan -- Less than a week before the start of an important meeting, the Palestine Liberation Organization is still gripped by an intense internal debate whose outcome will determine whether the organization is prepared to West as conditions for peace, ac- renounces violence.

cording to Palestinian and other officials in Amman.

these officials, however, the rightwing victory in Israel's general elec-tions has eroded PLO efforts to achieve a moderate consensus that would permit moves toward the recognition of Israel. The United States refuses to talk to the organimake concessions regarded in the zation until it takes that step and

of frustration among the PLO's cess or at least achieve a propaganmoderate Arab backers at what is depicted at the organization's reluctance to make major concessions that the United States and Western European nations could

accept as signals of peaceful intent. Moderate figures in the PLO, however, argue that Palestinians are increasingly prepared for some form of recognition of Israel in or-

Moreover, there are indications der to unlock the stalled peace pro- dle East and specifically in discusda victory.

"Our long experience with the Israeli occupation has made the Palestinians more mature," said Mohammed Milhem, a member of the PLO's executive committee. "This is the age of maturity of the Palestinian leadership.

The debate, under way in Palestinian circles throughout the Mid-

giers starting Nov. 12.

The council, viewed by Palestinsupreme policy-making body of the nical responsibility to the PLO. PLO. The importance of the gathering is drawn from two developments that have changed the dy-

First, Israel has been confronted sions among PLO factions in for the last 11 months with what Tunis, precedes a meeting of the Palestinians call an uprising in the Palestine National Council in Al- occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Second, Jordan has severed administrative and legal ties with ians as a parliament-in-exile, is the the West Bank, handing over tech-

> In response, the PLO has announced plans to declare the occu-See PLO, Page 7

50 Years Later, Memories of Kristallnacht Are Still Etched in Agony

By Serge Schmemann

New York Times Service MONTABAUR, West Germany - For those still alive who were here 50 years ago, the sight of Karoline Kahn being dragged screaming by the hair down the cobbled Rebstock Street stands

out with agonizing clarity. Ernst Kahn, who was 18 at the time, was among those who vividly recalled how his poor, ailing coasin, 66, had refused despite the terment to tell the Nazi storm troopers where her three sons had hidden on what came to be known as Kristallnacht, Nov. 9, 1938 - an event that will be solemnly commemorated on Wednesday. Erich S., an elderly German who declined to

give his last name, was among the many others

who could remember how Mrs. Kahn's screams

yellow hill-top castle, a landmark on the highway

formed thugs drag the bloodied woman down to Market Square, where they were gathering all the

Mrs. Kahn's screams were not the first of the Nazi terror, and far from the last; she and one of her sons were later killed in a death camp. But the pogrom they heralded - the nationwide, carefully orchestrated assault on Jews and their shops, homes and synagogues that came to be known as Crystal Night, after the glass that lay shattered by morning in every village, town and city across the land - marked the end of any

tions of the Nazis. The official Nazi toll for Kristallnacht was 36 Jews killed and 195 synagogues destroyed echoed through the narrow streets under the around Germany.

But the toll was far greater. A researcher in

lingering illusion about the inclinations or inten-

from Frankfurt to Bonn, and who saw the uni- Israel, Meier Schwarz, has estimated that 1,000 Jews were killed or committed suicide, and at least 1,118 synagogues were vandalized or demolished.

This year, on the 50th anniversary, Kristallnacht is being marked across West and East Germany, as well as in other countries.

Thousands of Jews, like Mr. Kahn, have been invited from all around the world to return to their childhood homes and join in the commentrations planned by virtually every municipality. Countless exhibitions have been mounted in museums, schools and institutes. Newspapers and television have been full of special programs.

In West Germany, the main national memorial services will be held Wednesday in Frankfurt. But it is in small places like Montabaur -5,000 people before the war and 8,500 today and neighboring hamlets in the serene, rolling

farmland of the Westerwald between Frankfurt and Bonn, that the memories seem palpable.

This is where people remember that Mrs. Kahn wore carpet slippers as she was dragged down the street, and how the feathers from torn pillows swirled in the streets among the shards of glass and splintered furniture.

They remember the screams as the storm troopers broke through barricaded doors, and Heinrich Heimann, who cut the wrists of his dimwitted daughter and then his own in a futile attempt to clude the Nazis, who saved both their lives only to take them later, and the Jew from Isselbach who was battered to death by drunken

Nazis on the edge of town. By morning, the small synagogue on Wall Street was a smoldering ruin and the Jews who had been gathered, spat on and taunted on Market Square had been driven to a neighboring

village, from which men between 18 and 60 were later taken to the Buchenwald concentration

It is on that same marketplace in front of the old town hall, at the same evening hour when the Jews were made to run the gauntlet between two jeering, kicking, spitting rows of storm troopers and local supporters, that Mayor Paul Possel-Dolken will preside over the culminating service of a day of memorial events on Wednesday.

It will be the first time ever that Montabaur. whose names comes from the biblical Mount Tabor, will commemorate the Jews who had lived in the town for centuries, except for a plaque raised two years ago on the site of the former synagogue, where a supermarket now stands.

"It is important for the future for our youth to

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Computer Hackers: Are the Eccentric Wizards National Treasures or Headaches?

By John Markoff New York Times Service

NEW YORK -- The trouble caused by a rogue program in national comput-er networks last week highlights increas-ing friction between the eccentric wizards who design and maintain these systems and a society that depends on the machines to run everything from banks to hospitals to military forces.

Robert T. Morris Jr., the computer science student whose tampering brought down the Department of Defense Arpanet computer network last week for a day and a half, is perhaps the ultimate "hacker," a term used with respect in the computer subculture but frequently viewed by the outside world as a synonym for electronic delinquent, even though few hackers would indulge

Hackers first emerged in the late 1950s student body," said the professor, Dex-

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them to create fantasy universes entirely under their control.

"A project undertaken not to fulfill some constructive goal, but with some wild pleasure in mere involvement, was called a 'hack,' said Steven Levy, author of the book "Hackers," which documents the rise of the computer culture.

A computer science professor at Cornell University said Mr. Morris had been admitted to the graduate program because "he had a reputation for being a hacker at Harvard."

"We like to have a fairly well-rounded

at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where a group, almost exclusive-hy young men, became entranced by powerful new machines that allowed had manifested itself as being a good had manifested itself as being a good backer and we certainly need that in the department and that's why he was ad-

> Mr. Morris's stunt has forced people in the computer world to do a great deal of soul-searching. And some computer experts fear that if the release of the virus prompts measures like a tightening of computer security, the country's economy could be harmed.

On Monday, the damage that resulted from the software attack was still being assessed around the country. Computer security experts have estimated that as many as 60,000 computers are directly or indirectly tied to the Department of Defense compater network.

their managers feared reinfection from the network, computer security experts

At Sun Microsystems Inc., which makes one of the two types of computers targeted by the attack, managers said that more than 2,500 of its computers had been attacked and that several had sustained damage to data files.

On balance, the computer backer appears to be both a national treasure and a national headache, and if the country is to reap the rewards of their creativity, it may have to learn to live with them.

Paul Graham, 23, a Harvard University graduate student who is a friend of Mr. Morris's, contends that the United tense computer network.

States holds a global lead in software
Of those machines, more than 6,000 precisely because of its hackers, people

nates the world in software is not a matter of technology," he said. "The bedroom.

1-2-3, and VisiCalc have been produced by individuals or small groups of two or three people working intensely with a

The great failures, on the other hand, programs like VisiCorp's Visi-On, which bankrupted the company, or Louis's Jazz, were designed by management specification and were programmed by

large teams of programmers.

The work of hackers in Silicon Valley have had even broader benefits. Stephen Wozniak, the designer of the original

chine that he had wired together in his ards" who care for the networks of com-

The continued strength of Silicon Valley lies in the existence of a dynamic community of computer, integrated circular and the continued strength of Silicon Valley lies in the existence of a dynamic puting that is widely read by many of his colleagues. their own sake.

Brian Reid, a researcher at Digital abuses on the young hackers.

had been affected. Many computers had who are by nature restless, compulsive still not been reconnected to the network code breakers.

Monday afternoon, possibly because "The fact that the United States domi
"The fact that the United States domi-

culture for making great software is

It was Steven P. Jobs, who co-founded But many computer scientists have.

Apple Computer Inc. with Mr. Wozniak, little charity for deeds of hacker daring. who understood the potential of his Eugene Spafford, an assistant professor friend's invention and transformed a of computer science at Purche Universa-The successful programs in personal friend's invention and transformed a of computer science at Purdue University computer software like Wordstar, Lotus hacker's toy into a billion-dollar compaty in West Lafayette, Indiana, recently sent a message through a computerized

> cuit and software designers whose pas-sion is building powerful machines for ing that Robert Morris should not be prosecuted because he did us a favor, and it was somehow our fault for not Equipment Corp.'s Western Research fixing the problems sooner," he wrote. Laboratory in Palo Alto, California, who "That attitude is completely reprehensiahas written about computer security, ble. That is the exact same attitude that does not place the ultimate blame for places the blame for a rape on the vicplaces the blame for a rape on the vic-tim; I find it morally repugnant."

Tourism (and Rooms) Up in Caribbean

By Joseph B. Treaster

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico - On a sweeping curve of empty beach, edged with coconut palms and towering pines, construction crews are laying the foundation for a 250-room

A few miles away, other crews are finishing the renovation of a long-abandoned hotel. An ambitious restoration of the cruise ship harbor, near the old Spanish colonial section, has begun, and the international airport is being greatly enlarged.

Projects like these in Puerto Rico are under way throughout the Caribbean in the greatest-ever expansion of tourist facilities in a region that has become one of the world's

biggest playgrounds. This year, for the first time, the number of visitors is expected to exceed 10 million, increasing the Caribbean's lead over Hawaii and Mexico as the favorite warm-weather

vacation place. The growth rate in vacationers has slowed from a spectacular 14 percent in 1987 to a projected 4 percent this year, according to the Caribbean Tourism Research and Development Center in Barbados.

But developers, hotel managers, govern ment officials and industry analysts point out that the number of visitors is still increas while much of the United States, the region's main market, remains untapped. The growth has been uneven.

In Puerto Rico, tourism grew by about 14 percent in the first half of this year, compared with a year earlier.

A growth rate of about 30 percent has been reported by some islands, like Auguilla, Aru-, and the Turks and Caicos Islands. At the same time, however, Jamaica report-

The cruise ship business is growing even faster than tourism in general About 2.5 million people took Caribbean cruises last year, and the number of passen-gers increased 12 percent in the first six months of this year, the Tourism Research

and Development Center said. The growth and expansion we're seeing now is just the tip of the iceberg," said John Bell, executive vice president of the Caribbe-an Hotel Association, which is based in San

About 12,000 hotel rooms are under construction, more than twice as many as in 1987, and work on an additional 10,000 or so rooms is expected to start next year. Although the development is extensive.

tourism experts say the Caribbean islands are far from becoming concrete jungles. Many of the islands are mainly wild and underpopulated, with room for many more hotels and resorts before their appeal is

Some islands, like Puerto Rico and the Bahamas, are encouraging developers to move into new areas.

Tourist facilities of one sort or another are being built on most of the 30 or so major Caribbean islands, including Cuba, which is off-limits to most Americans because of U.S. government travel restrictions, and the Bahamas, which are technically in the Atlantic, but generally regarded as part of the Caribbean. Most of the construction is for places for tourists to stay, from expensive resorts to small inns and guest houses.

But several islands are also enlarging air-ports and cruise ship ports, refurbishing wa-terfront business districts, and building mari-

centers and gambling casinos. Throughout the region, many thriving ho-tels are being refurbished and expanded, and a few elegant old places in Puerto Rico that had been left for dead as tourism declined in the 1970s and early 1980s are being revived to

catch the new, bigger waves of visitors.

A central factor in the recent growth in the region, many experts say, has been a multipli-cation of flights from the United States by Eastern and American Airlines to hubs in the Caribbean, where smaller planes provide connections to smaller islands that were once difficult to reach.

Travel industry experts appear to be un-able to explain the sharp increase in tourism in 1987 and the slowdown of the growth this

They refer to the fluctuations of the dollar. reactions to terrorism in Europe in 1986 and the stock market crash last year as well as a historical tendency for Americans to stay at home during presidential election years.

The hotel construction this year throughout the region represents an increase in rooms

more than the growth in tourists. Some analysts worry that there may soon be a glut of lodgings, which could force price cutting and perhaps bankruptcies and make the region less attractive as a fashionable

Other analysts, developers and hoteliers say they believe the new hotels will create new

All the new hotels will add to the advertising for the region, the experts say.

The big chains, which mainly left the Caribbean after a slowdown in bu 1970s and are just now returning, offer huge reservation networks and name recognition that many travelers find reassuring.



Jag Mehta, a hotel manager in San Juan, outside the refurned Normandie Hotel, which is to reopen in December.

Gun Control

WASHINGTON — The risk of

being murdered with a handgun in

Researchers at the universities of

Washington, British Columbia and

nadian restrictions on handgons.

Canada Vote May Hang On One Woman's Quest To Scrap Trade Accord

By John F. Burns

New York Times Service VANCOUVER, British Columbia --- When Marjorie M. Bowker set out to read the text of the freetrade agreement between Canada and the United States, she did so, in her words, "primarily as a quest for

But if Canada rejects the agreement, which is the central issue in the general election of Nov. 21, the 72-year-old retired family court judge will have played an influen-tial part in its tradeing.

At street-corner bookstalls, in

student unions and in other places across Canada where momentum against the trade pact has been building, people are snapping up copies of the analysis Mrs. Bowker wrote after studying the 1,125-page text of the agreement.

Published last month in booklet form and retitled "On Guard for Thee," a phrase from Canada's national anthem, Mrs. Bowker's point-by-point condemnation of the agreement has become a potent political force.

In the past week, opinion polls opposing it." have shown that the opposition Liberals could defeat Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's Progressive Conservatives or at least deny them a parliamentary majority, thereby blocking Canadian ratification of the agreement. The United States has already ratified it.

The latest Gallup poll, released Monday, showed that among registered voters who have made up their minds, 43 percent support the Liberals, 31 percent support the Progressive Conservatives and 22 percent support the New Democrats, who also oppose the freetrade pact,

Liberals would win a 27-seat majority in the 295-seat House of

Seattle is almost five times greater John Turner, the Liberal leader, than in neighboring Vancouver, a fresh anxiety about the pact with an aggressive performance in two televised debates. Even before that, a welter of voices had been raised

> Among these critics, few have had as much impact as Mrs. Bowker, who has no affiliation with any of the parties in the election. Simon Reisman, the official in

> charge of negotiating the trade pact for Canada, has complained about

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Bowker thesis "a pseudo-legal"

other Canadians who didn't understand what this was all about," she said. "As a citizen, I said, 'Something is happening to our country. So I decided to read the thing.

"It's a virtual license for the takeover of Canada," she said."I don't think the government

Mrs. Bowker's critique is similar to that made by Mr. Turner and Edward Broadbent, leader of the New Democrats. She offers a lowkey analysis that foresees major, in-

In virtually every major part of threat of American actions that would constrain Canada's indepen-

Mrs. Bowker asserts that the ac-cord endangers Canada's elaborate network of social programs, including unemployment insurance, oldance. She says American companies may attack the programs as "unfair subsidies" to Calieve Canadian companies of the

costs of many employee benefits. The government has tried to draw attention to an analysis by William Gearing, 61, a retired high school economics teacher in Orillia, Ontario. His booklet is titled "Free Trade: Why It's a Good Deal-for

But the tract that seems to have

U.S. Town Fears Diamonds May Not Be Forever Last year, the Arkansas legisla-ture passed a bill that would allow vated walkways around the mine. By Lisa Belkin the state. And it could take five to New York Times Service the state to lease the Crater of Dia-

MURFREESBORO, Arkansas -This is a town caught between a rock and a hard place.

The rocks are honest-to-goodness diamonds. Tourists can pay \$3 for the right to dig all day in a muddy field, taking home any raw

What is hard is deciding whether the muddy field - apparently the only operating source of diamonds in the United States - should be opened to commercial miners.

"Are strip mining and a state park compatible?" asked Jim Cannon, superintendent of Crater of Diamonds State Park, which surrounds the 40-acre (16-hectare) field. "Will it ruin the town, or will it save us? I wish I knew."

The field attracted 70,000 tourists last year, and they spent about \$4 million eating and camping and buying souvenirs. They took home 989 diamonds, weighing on average just less than a quarter of a carat. But that is far too few tourists,

most people in town agree. There were 120,000 tourists 10 years ago. Tourism became the largest industry in Murfreesboro (population: 1,883) after Weyerhaeuser Co. closed its timber mill in 1982. Co. closed its timber mill in 1982. opened, weighed more than 40 car-And now the poultry plant, Dia-ats. Two weeks ago, a digger found mond Country Foods, is threaten-a six-carat diamond.

So the debate over commercial mining goes something like this: Those who favor it say the town needs the tax dollars and the jobs

Those in favor say the tourists could watch the miners at work.

100 years to remove the diamonds. But those opposed warn that the pend on the shape of the diamond diamonds will run out one day, the deposit. Is the diamond field like

'Are strip mining and a state park compatible? Will it ruin the town, or will it save us? I wish I knew.'

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miners will move on and the town the shallow basin of a champagne will be left with no mine, no tourists and a 600-foot-deep (180-meter-deep) pit that will take decades to fill with water and become a

The field was operated as a mine from the 1920s to the 1940s. But the owner lost his fortune on the project. The "finders keepers" rule was developed by owners in the 1950s and 1960s. The Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism now owns the land.

Over the years, some hefty dia-monds have been discovered. The largest, found when the mine first

No one knows how rich a diamond deposit lies under the field. formed by a volcanic eruption about 95 million years ago.

The value of the mine could be that the operation would bring. anywhere from \$2 million to \$2 Those opposed say mining is billion, said John Morgan, a dia-

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of Crater of Diamonds State Park

glass extending into a narrow, diamond-bearing stem, or is it the top of a deposit that extends straight down for hundreds of miles? "The only way to tell is to test,"
Mr. Morgan said. "And the only

way to test is to dig." There has been talk of doing exactly that since the state first bought the park in 1972, but few took it seriously until business in

More precise figures, he said, de-monds property to a commercial mining operation. A study group was established to evaluate the pro-

sal, and debate has raged loudly in Murfreesboro ever since. "We need the jobs," said Tammy White, who has been looking for one for a year and a half. "I read somewhere that there would be 400

new jobs with the mine." Kay Killgore, speaking at one of nearly a dozen public hearings on the mining proposal in the last 10 months, asked, "Is Arkansas so hard up for a few temporary jobs and a bit of additional short-term revenue that we would sacrifice the one thing that Arkansas has unique

in the world?" "We can't just sit and hope that tourism will pick up," said Clifton Crews, owner of the Ka-Do-Ha Indian Village, Murfreesboro's other major tourist attraction. He said ticket sales there were dropping by \$200 each mouth in a trend that could be reversed if the mining con- is more important than diamonds."

Found to Cut vated walkways around the mine, and offer public tours. **Murder Rate** Current state proposals include

such a provision and suggest that several feet of soil from the correct pit be moved elsewhere so that the tourists could continue to sift for diamonds. Now the question is out residents' hands. The study group city that is similar to Seattle in most

has recommended to the Parks De-respects but that has much stricter partment preliminary testing on sun control laws, according to a the park to determine the shape study published in the New En-and value of the diamond deposits. gland Journal of Medicine. The department's decision is expected at the end of November. But the fact that the choice is no Tennessee compared rates of vari-longer theirs to make has not ous crimes between 1980 and 1986, stopped the debate among the resi- to determine whether stringent Ca-

dents of Murfreesboro. "Diamonds are just diamonds," enacted in the late 1970s, influsaid Howard Kidd, who would like enced the frequency of murders a mining company to come into and assaults.

town. Mr. Kidd owns the Mauney Seattle's higher homicide rate House Petting Farm across the was almost entirely explained by its street from the park entrance and greater frequency of homicides insays the business would bring more

volving handguns. Rates of assault tourists. "What we're talking about involving weapons other than guns is more important than diamonds." were almost identical, but assaults frequent in Seattle than in Vancouver and homicides involving firearms about five times higher.

Previous research on the effect of gun control on crime rates has been flawed because the studies compared data from countries with widely different cultures. The study's authors said they chose Sethat point, it will need the assent of attle and Vancouver because the two-thirds of the synod to gain apcities are of similar size — Seattle has about 490,000 residents, Vancouver about 410,000 - and share many geographic, economic and cultural characteristics.

In Seattle, it is legal to buy a handgun for self-defense and a per-"I greatly deplore the use of the mit to carry a concealed weapon sacrament for the purposes of prometing a cause," waiting period. In Vancouver, it is the bishop wrote. "I regard it as an illegal to buy a handgun for selfunworthy and improper use of the defense or to carry a concealed weapon. Permits are required both Miss Fageol, who is in Britain to own and to transport a handgun.

Press Aide Quits In Johannesburg

JOHANNESBURG - The chairman of the South African Foreign Correspondents Association resigned Tuesday after heated exchanges between reporters and Foreign Minister R. F. Botha at the organization's appual banquet

a correspondent for Time magazine, stepped down, saying he had been involved in inviting Mr. Botha to speak on Saturday and felt responsible for the behavior of some of the diners.

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Through his office, he issued a detailed rebuttal that called the

analysis."
Mrs. Bowker recalled recently what prompted her to spend four

weeks studying a text of the trade agreement that she borrowed from the university law library in June.
"I was like all the thousands of

What she discovered, applying the skills developed in a 40-year career as a lawyer and a judge, was a shock.

wanted people to get a copy of the full text. Somebody might read it and understand. And the fact is the more you learn about what's in it, the more reasons there are for

jury to Canada in such matters as agriculture, energy, investment and service industries the accord, the former judge sees a

caught the public's imagination is Mrs. Bowker's.

TOPICS

Reliable Old Morse

Backs Up High Tech In an age of communica-tions satellites, synthesized human voices and fiber-optic cables, a technology invented in 1835 survives and flour-ishes: the Morse code. Invented by Samuel F.B. Morse the year Mark Twain was born, the code uses combinations of long and short tones, or dots and dashes, to represent the letters of the alphabet. These can be transmitted manually

by a key operator.

The Los Angeles Times recounts that "Morse telegraphy
may seem like a quaint anachronism." An experienced op-erator can send about 50 words a minute, compared to the tens of thousands of telephone conversations that a fiber-optic cable can transmit simultaneously. But Morse remains vital to worldwide com-

When the Mexico City earthquake of 1985 knocked out most electric power, amateur radio operators used Morse telegraphy to call for help. Morse code signals can get through because they re-quire much less broadcasting power to transmit than voice messages, and are far more easily unscrambled if distorted

Both the U.S. and Soviet military rely on Morse to back up their communications. "Even though it is old and slow," said Major General Leo M. Childs, the army's chief signals officer, "Morse is still the most reliable in difficult

Short Takes

Almost one in three Amer ctes will saffer from a mental or substance abuse disorder at least once in a lifetime, according to a survey of 18,500 peo-ple by the U.S. National Institute of Mental Health. More than 15 percent experience such a problem during a typical month. Men were more likely to have substance abuse and anti-social behavior prob-lems than women. Women had higher rates for affective disorders, such as depression, auxiety, and disorders of somatization, or mental states that have physical symptoms.

Bank checks that destroy themselves after they have been cashed have turned up in Chicago and nearby cities, police say. For fear of encouraging copycats, police refuse to identify the chemical that makes the checks disintegrate. A dozen suspects have been dentified, Detective Gregory Danz said, and a grand jury is

The guests of honor at the fall dinner Nov. 16 of the Estics and Public Policy Centers Washington research grown, will be Edward Teller, 80, known as the father of the U.S. bydrogen bomb, and Andrei D. Sakharov, 67, the reputed father of the Soviet hydrogen bomb. The Russian physicist is visiting the United States on his first trip abroad.

For \$45 postpaid within the United States you can have a comeat replica of the Maltese Falcon, lacquered in black, delivered to you, and just the way Walter Huston delivered it to Humphrey Bogart in the 1941 film of the same name: wrapped in newspaper and twine. The New York Times reports that "a \$250 customcast bronze version is also available for truly hopeless fa-

Arthur Highee

In England, a Female U.S. Priest Is Criticized for Communion Service

By Sheila Rule

he ordination of women.

LONDON — An American woman has come into conflict with the Church of England after celebrating communion in an Anglican chapel, highlighting the continuing differences within the church over

zanne Faseol, was ordained in 1978 by the Episcopal Church, the 2.8million-member American branch of Anglicanism. For 18 months, she has regularly elebrated the Eucharist at services

sponsored by a British ecumenica

The American, the Reverend Sta-

group that supports the ordination The services, which were fre-quently advertised in Christian sublications, had been held at St. Benet's Chapel, which belongs to

the Diocese of London. But the bishop of London, the Reverend Graham Leonard, re-cently warned Miss Fageol that she could not celebrate communion on



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any property owned by the diocese. returned to the synod in 1992. At Bishop Leonard said that neither that point, it will need the assent of the archbishop of Canterbury nor two-thirds of the synod to gain apany bishop had "any authority to proval.

allow a woman ordained priest overseas to function as such here." Lawyers for the diocese also wrote to the economical group, St. Hilda's Community, that its members would be regarded as trespass-ers if they continued to use the chapel for Miss Fageor's services. She celebrated communion last

Benet's, the chapel of Queen Mary's College of London University, using a table as an altar. Attempts to open the Church of England's priesthood to women have threatened to divide the de-The church allows women to be rdained as deacons and earlier this year took a preliminary step

toward ordaining women as priests, a development that has been bitterly opposed by segments of its laity The American church, meanwhile, has ordained more than 1,200 women as priests since 1976. Although all 70 million Anglicans worktwide recognize the arch-bishop of Canterbury as their spiri-

tual leader, the church organization in each country has wide latitude to set its own canon laws. In July, the annual General Syn-od of the Church of England, which brings together bishops, clergy, and laity, approved a draft of legislation that would admit women to in their parishes and dioceses.

Bishop Leonard, a leading opponent of the ordination of women, wrote in a letter to Miss Fageol that

his move against her had nothing to do with his personal views. week in a parking lot outside St.

> eparing a doctorate, said in an erview that her understanding of the Encharist was that it had never been apolitical, but that she had conducted services primarily in response to a request from people who wanted to experience women in the priesthood. Some Anglicans suggest that the case could set back the movement to ordain women by increasing ap-

But Miss Fageol says she believes the conflict could enhance prospects for change.

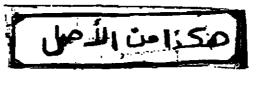
"This brings the issue clearly out into the open," said Miss Fageol, 38, who has been in England for

This is the last bastion of tradi-

tional Auglicanism," she said. "The notion of tradition is so strong. among some people that they are reluctant to let go of that authority over here so it is not a question of oughout the country before it is church in particular.".

prehension among those who are uncertain about what having women in the priesthood would involve. The chairman, Peter Hawthorne,

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But the tract that sent caught the public's me Mrs. Bowker's.

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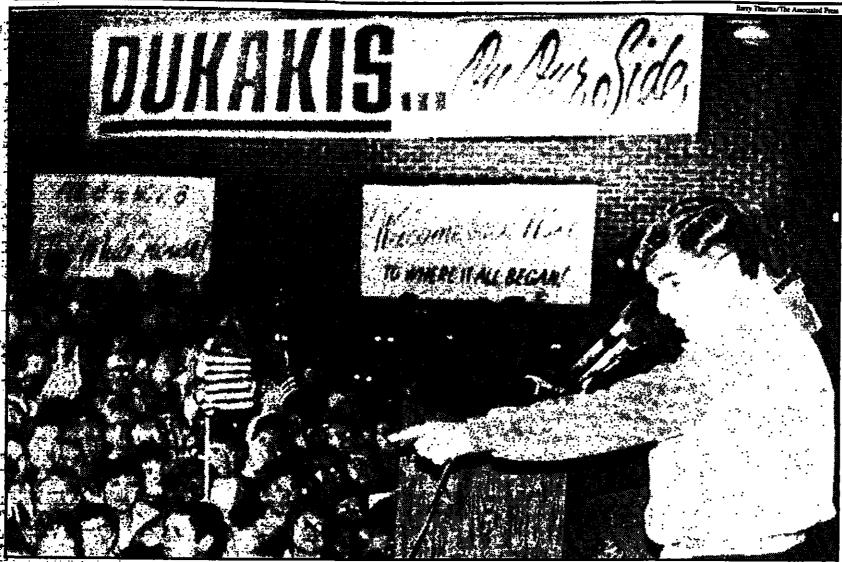
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THE AMERICAN ELECTIONS: From Long Island Sound to Puget Sound, doubts persist about both Dukakis and Bush.





PRESIDENT

As the U.S. presidential election campaign stampeded to its climax on Tuesday, Governor Michael S. Dukakis of Massachusetts exhorted backers at a rally in Des Moines, Iowa, and Vice President George Bush, backed by his son George Jr., gave the thumbs-up sign in Houston. In Dixville Notch, New Hampshire, traditionally the source of the first national voting results, Stephen Barba recorded the results, which saw Mr. Bush defeat Mr. Dukakis by 34 to 3. The vice presidential candidates, Senator Dan Quayle, at left, and Senator Lloyd Bent-sen, greeted final crowds. Mr. Quayle, with his daughter Corinne, waved in Roanoke, Virginia, and Senator Lloyd Bentsen saluted crowds in Houston.



Voters Negative on Campaign Divided on Candidates but United in Disappointment

By R.W. Apple Jr.

New York Times Service

NEW YORK — The skies were gray and a wind bearing the promise of winter howled down Seventh Avenue shortly before the polls were to open for this country's 51st presidential election.

At a corner of Seventh Avenue and 57th Street a few steps from Carnegie Hall, people who stopped at lunchtime to discuss their voting intentions seemed split pretty even-ly between Vice President George Bush, the Republican favorite, and Governor Michael S. Dukakis, the Democratic underdog. It was not a propitious sign for the man from Massachusetts, who counts New York as part of his political bed-

But in New York City, as elsewhere across the country, voters spoke mainly about how disappointed they were.

"This campaign was full of nit-picking, high school nonsense," said Joseph E. Zappulla, who works for CBS Sports. He added: "We're going to have 75 percent of the needle of the control the the people going into the booth and voting against someone instead of supporting someone they really be-lieve in. That's bad."

Beverley Knapp, an interior deigner, summed up her reactions to the long, costly campaign this way: "Mostly, I'm ticked off. They never got to grips with the issues, and we reached the height of silliness when Bush said you could tell that things were better in this country because we're selling more flags."

Mr. Zappulla and Ms. Knapp

were both going to vote; both said they thought it was their duty. She intended to support Mr. Dukakis, "I feel the same way," said Ms. as what you say is the even though she thinks he ran a Markey, "but I think that Bush is be true—I see nothing wrong with the one who's a good manager."

lieves he would work harder on such urban problems as the homeless and drugs and medical costs. He leaned to Mr. Bush because of the vice president's stands on abor-

tion and the death penalty.

People are in more of a hurry at horns honking and fire engine si-rens blaring, it is noisier than the tidy little cities of eastern Pennsylvania. And the landmarks - Central Park to the north, Rockfeller Center to the south, glossy art galleries and boisterous delicatessens - are an entirely different matter from the buttes and canyons of New Mexico.

But what a traveler heard Monday in the heart of Manhartan did not differ all that radically from what he had heard all along an 11,450-mile (18,500-kilometer) route that stretched from Long Island Sound in New York to Puget Sound in Washington.

It was clear, first of all, that although the federal deficit loomed larger in people's minds than any

larger in people's minds than any other issue, they were not exactly sure what should be done about it, and they were even less sure which candidate would approach the

question more wisely.

Jane Flanagan and her friend
Adele Markey, who came in from the suburbs to have lunch and to see the film "Little Dorrit," both said they were worried about the

"I'm for Dukakis," Ms. Flanagan said, "because I feel he's a call it effective. In this business, it competent manager, and I think we so happens, negative often works. need that to clear up our fiscal It's useful to point out the weakproblems."

Ms. Flanagan's use of the phrase "competent manager" suggested that she had been influenced by Mr. Dukakis's television commercials and perhaps by his speech at the Democratic National Convention, where the nominee said that 57th and Seventh than they are in the election would be about compethe Iowa farm country. With truck tence, not ideology. But there was also ample evidence in 90 minutes of political chitchat that Mr. Dukakis's message had met resistance in some quarters, while Mr. Bush's

had been more widely believed. "I went to Boston University." said Ms. Zappulla, "so I don't be-lieve a lot of that stuff Dukakis puts out about Massachusetts being an economic miracle. And I think it's obvious that Dukakis needs to learn a lot more about how to handle crime."

Al Hempel, an advertising man, said that "at first that wimpy stuff about Bush seemed real to me, and he didn't seem his own man." But when the Republican candidate "finally got away from Reagan," Mr. Hempel added, "he became much more impressive to me."

Mr. Hempel said he thought that Mr. Dukakis had failed, especially in his advertising, "to take a theme and run with it, which is absolutely basic in any campaign." But as a professional, he was asked, did he not find the vice president's commercials misleading or underhanded, as many have charged?

"Not at all," he said. "You may call his campaign negative, but I nesses of the other side, and as long

For President, Doctors Wait

By Lawrence K. Altman

New York Times Service
NEW YORK — For the winner of the U.S. presidential election, one perquisite is the kind of health care not available to the average American.

Presidents and vice presidents have physicians assigned to them around the clock wherever they work, travel or vacation, and their medical care is paid for by the government. Such intense coverage is provided in part be-

cause of fears about assassination attempts and because a seriously ill president may have to yield power under terms of the 25th Amendment to the In recent years, White House physicians have

come, with rare exception, from the military or from U.S. health services like the Veterans Admin-One important reason for this is that it is impractical for most doctors to abandon a private practice to take a temporary assignment at the White House. Another reason is that presidents are usually cared for at a military hospital, like the

Bethesda Naval Medical Center or the Walter Reed Army Medical Center. If a president or a vice president needs specialized care, the White House medical staff can be augmented by consultants from any medical cen-

ter in the country. In interviews, both major candidates for the presidency, George Bush and Michael Dukakis, have said they are in excellent health, and their physicians have concurred.

Serious illnesses of presidents have played an important role in U.S. history, and White House physicians have often been involved in attempts to cover them up. In 1893, for example, surgeons, operating aboard a ship off New York City to keep the diagnosis secret, removed a cancer from Grover Cleveland's jaw.

While Woodrow Wilson was paralyzed by a stroke in 1919, his wife, Edith, ran the country. In 1944, when Franklin D. Roosevelt ran for a fourth term, he was gravely ill, suffering from severe high blood pressure and a weakened heart. But the public was told that he was in excellent condition.

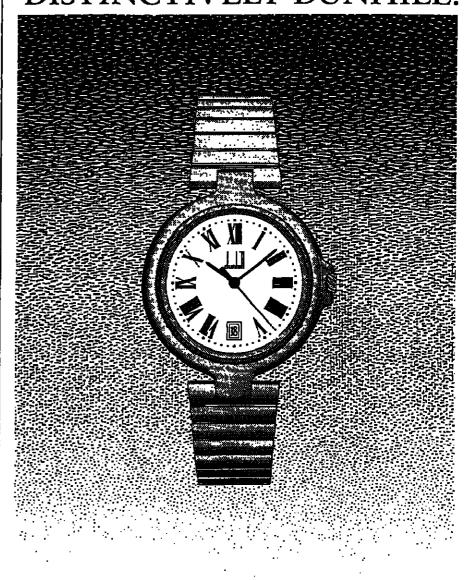
Even some more recent presidents have kept maladies secret. Only after Lyndon B. Johnson's death in 1973 did the public learn that he had had an operation as president for a minor skin cancer, basal cell carcinoma. The condition was not a major health problem, but he apparently feared to disclose it. President Ronald Reagan and Mr. Bush have had the same type of skin cancer removed.

For the most part, it has become standard in recent years for candidates for high offices to disclose their health records. Many people think inquiries about the health of presidents are unwarranted breaches of privacy, but historians have been quick to blame the press for failing to expose serious illness of presidents.

Many people, for example, felt it was unnecessary for reporters to inquire about the medication Mr. Reagan was taking after he underwent a colon cancer operation in July 1985. At the time, the White House said the president was taking only

But later, when the Iran-contra affair became known, Edwin Meese 3d, then attorney general, told Congress that Mr. Reagan might not remember approving the first shipment of arms to Iran in August 1985 because he was recovering from surgery for colon cancer the previous month and he might have been taking medication.

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Poland's Political Thieves

Poland is at the hardest place in its struggle to find a way out of the dead end of Soviet-imposed, Soviet-type socialism. You want reform, Prime Minister Micozyslaw Rakowski challenges Solidarity, you'll get reform. He is closing the big Gdansk shipyard, which is the cradle and still the moral center of the banned trade union as well as the personal work place of Lech Walesa, but which is also a woefully inefficient factory that receives hope state subsidies and still loses money. Mr. Waless replies 1) angrily, calling the closure order a "dangerous political act," which is true, and 2) weakly, saying there is "no economic justification" for closure, which is almost certainly false. It is the politics and not the economics of the case, however, that is dictating his response - an attempt to mobilize public opinion to

make the government back down.

Prime Minister Rakowski made his move on the Lenin shipyard just as Margaret Thatcher was arriving on the first trip by a British prime minister to Poland. From her presence he sought to borrow the respect widely voiced in East European reformst circles for her free-market policies, includ-

act of pure political thievery, and it was instantly exposed as such. What distinguishes Mrs. Thatcher's policy and gives it its essential underlying credibility is not the element of assault on economic inefficiency and on the institutions and habits that uphold that condition. It is the legitimacy that flows to her policy as a result of the fact that she is a freely chosen democratic leader. Any effort by a Communist leader to appropriate the assault on inefficiency without graning the foundation of democracy is certain to sharpen the social conflict that is so evident in Poland today.

In Poland, as in the Soviet Union, China and other socialist countries where reform is being tested, it comes down to the same fundamental proposition. Economic reform requires the consent of the reformed, and without a political process for consultation and consent, reform will bump up against iron limits. In Poland, the government has taken some tentative steps — but only some tentative steps — toward a "round table" in which the larger society could share in the making of the decisions that the narrower state still reserves for itself. This is the difficult but essential path to progress.

— THE WASHINGTON POST.

Some Votes Are Too Late

At about 9:01 P.M. in New York Tuesday night, the networks were likely to declare the name of the new president - and thereby trash the votes of people in the West who had not yet cast their ballots. Many of them, interested in local races, would still go to the poils. But all may feel

Don't blame the networks. If they lived up to their promises, they would not be making their call until the polls had closed in enough states to give one candidate an Electoral College majority. And don't blame the House of Representatives. Prodded by Representative Al Swift of Washington, it has twice passed a uniform poll closing bill that would eliminate the rest of the problem.

The institution to blame is the Senate, which this fall fumbled the chance to turn that legislation into law. The failure vitiates the votes of many Americans. It also jeopardizes exit polls, the invaluable innovation that makes it possible to gauge why people

voted the way they did.
Once, Americans found out who won from their morning newspapers. Now, tele-vision often tells them before they go to bed and while Westerners are still voting. These polls at the polls yield priceless detail: whom younger voters, or women, or Hispanics preferred, for instance, or the impact of race or of negative advertising.

information about the winner. Forget about 9:01 P.M.; unless the race is close, the winner might be identifiable five hours ear-lier. That is why Congress asked the net-works not to use exit polls to announce a winner until one candidate had 270 electorl votes in states that had finished voting.

Even that concession does not dispose of the problem. The West votes until 11 P.M. Eastern Standard Time. Some legislators think the networks should hold back till then. But that asks them to act dumber than they did before exit polls started, ignoring key precinct analysis and even actual vote count. Other critics say to ban exit polls, gnoring the wealth of data they yield.

The issue is not really a poll problem but a clock problem, and the way to solve that is to close the polls at the same time in the contiguous 48 states. Ideas for uniform poll closing include fiddling with daylight time in the West. What is important is to schieve it in some way.

Irritation over the vitiated vote will not be limited to Westerners; offended citizens will turn to stare at the new Senate majority leader. If they, and he, push promptly, the Senate will vindicate for all the right that conscientious citizens were exercising on Tuesday: to vote.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

A Checkup for Medicine

Health insurance costs are soaring, which sharpens all of the terrible and familiar questions about paying for medical care in America. Coverage for all, including the 37 illion who now have none, rem hopeless ideal as long as the price keeps going up at the present rate.

percent next year for the private health plans, insurance specialists warn. One reason for this extraordinary surge is the federal government's success in restrain reimbursements to hospitals under Medicare. The hospitals, bitterly protesting that Medicare now pays less than full cost, are trying to compensate by passing some of the shortfall on to their other patients. The basic force behind the rise is, as always, the continuous introduction of elegant new technology, compounded by the increasing numbers of elderly people whose medical

requirements expand with age. Conventional cost controls are not going to suffice. But perhaps there are other possibilities. One of the canosities of modern medicine is the proliferation of procedures which have never been tested to see whether they are actually more effective than less

Paul G. Rogers, co-chairman of the Na-tional Leadership Commission on Health Care, got onto that interesting subject in

recent congressional testimony. The commis-sion, which has been thinking about ways to improve the quality of health care without bankrupting the patients, is focusing on these unknowns. For example, coronary angioplasty -- the technique of using a balloontipped catheter to widen an artery — is becoming a very common procedure. But a recent study concludes that on present data, it is not possible to judge the advantage of angioplasty over bypass surgery, or of either over drug therapy, "It's unfortunate," Mr. Rogers said, "how little we are learning from all the procedures we are doing."

In another example, he pointed out that in France only 2.4 percent of women have had hysterectomies, while at the present rate more than half of all American women will have had them by the time they are 65.

There are many of these unexplained variations in practice, with no apparent effect on the general level of people's bealth. Mr. Rogers is in favor of invest little money in research into what kinds of care actually benefit health, and of producing reliable guidelines for doctors.

America faces exernciating choices over spending on medical care. Those choices can e made a little easier by taking a rigorous and systematic look first of all to see what

actually works — and what doesn't. — THE WASHINGTON POST.

Other Comment

A Hope That He'll Keep Faith

Whether it is George Bush or Michael Dukakis, the most crucial issue facing the next president is how to cut the hoge American budget and trade deficits, both now standing at more than \$150 billion. Mr. Dukakis's weakness in defense and inexperience in foreign affairs are handicaps. But he appears more willing than Mr. Bush to address the long-term damage to America's economy that will occur if the budget defi-

cit is not reduced, and quickly, too.

Two follow-through questions [concern
Asia]. The first is whether the United States will go protectionist. The second is whether the deficits will affect the U.S. security commitment in this region.

On the first question, we feel that a Buth administration would be less protectionist than a Dukakis one. This is because Mr. Bush shares President Reagan's stand on free trade. However, in the short term he is likely to adopt the more popular measure of pressuring America's major trading partners in Asia to buy more American prod-

ucts and export less to the United States. In this regard, Mr. Bush may be just as tough as Mr. Dukakis in pressing countries like Japan, South Korea and Taiwan to open their markets wider to American products. On U.S. security ties to this region the questions that trouble us are: What if the United States runs out of money and is unable to maintain its vast military commitment abroad? Strapped for cash, would more for the continued use of the Philippine bases after 1991? Mr. Bush is more likely to accommodate the Filipinos' demanbut only up to a point. Mr. Dukakis, on the other hand, gives the impression that he would prefer to close down those bases

han to give in to the Filipinos. With the Soviet Union looking inward there appears no reason to panic if it happens. But we should never tempt Mikhail Gorbachev. Whoever wins, we hope we will have reason to believe that the United States will keep faith with 'its friends and allies,

- The Straits Times (Singapore).

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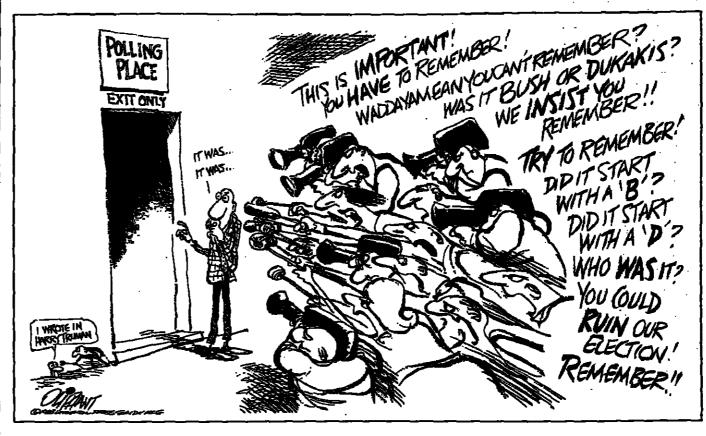
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OPINION



Ways to Have a Better Campaign the Next Time

WASHINGTON — "Negative, nasty, uninformative, disturbing, degrading, demagogic" are some of the utilder terms applied to the onslaught of ads and sound bites that dominated the airwaves from September 1 destricted and Andrews tember until election day. And you

are not going to see me stand up to defend this spectacle, which clearly outlasted almost everyone's patience. Three or four practical things might be done before the start of the 1992 campaign to ensure that improve-ments are made, building on some of the few virtues of this past year.

Ask almost any American voter what part of the campaign he found useful, and the answer is likely to be the debates. On those three evenings, for 90 minutes at a crack, most of those who went to the polls had the invaluable experience of watching the presidential and vice presidential can-

didates engage each other, and panels of journalists, on the television screen.
Sure, some of the questions were strange. Yes, it would be better to age the format and let the principals debate, with just a moderator to keep time and shift topics. But I know of no one watching who did not gain insights from each of the encounters, no matter how much or how little exposure he or she had previously had to the candidates.

TERUSALEM — Historic moments are a dime

a dozen here in the unfailingly volatile Middle
East. But the hackneyed label genuinely applies to
last week's Israeli election, which opens an uncertain new era in the Jewish state's history.

The vote should mark the last hurah for the

Yitzhak Rabin have failed for the fourth succes-

sive time to gain enough votes to form a govern-

ment on their own. They have instead led Labor

into the culture of powerlessness that afflicts most other left-wing parties in modern democra-cies, and for some of the same reasons.

founders, this second generation of Labor politi-cians has clearly reached the limit of its effective-ness. They are under pressure to step aside so the party can recover credibility and dynamism.

The party's leadership is ideologically exhaust-

ed, says Amos Elon, the author of "Founders and Sons," a classic study of Israeli society. "They have

ching to a system and to power structures that the

founding fathers custom-made for their own needs 50 years ago. I don't understand why they don't

accept that they have done much more than most

politicians in the world, who are usually called on

to preside over one or two situations of status

quo, and step down now. After all, nation build-

ing was very hard here, and they faced huge odds.

Mr. Elon goes on to point out that it is not simply the political party established by Israel's founders that is in serious trouble. The collec-

tively financed businesses, the health insurance scheme and the kibbutz farms that they set up

are also tottering, trapped in a system which is incapable of renewing itself.

They can quit in good standing.

The direct heirs of the nation's Zionist

By David S. Broder

could be persuaded to offer similar blocks of time -- 10 or 15 minutes at a The debates were arranged by a commission representing the two po-litical parties. That device, tried this year for the first time, ought to be continued. If there is any reluctance on the part of the new president to commit himself to participate in the party-sponsored debates, Congress might well require each party to gnar-ance that its nominee would show up What was demonstrated this year was that the tone of the campaign will rise above the level of many of the

Israel: The Last Hurrah for a Distinguished Elite

By Jim Hoagland

This is the first of two articles.

Labor's sustained defeats and the emergence of ultraorthodox religious parties as the likely

tions that go far beyond the fate of party leaders or the viability of individual institutions. These

The European, socialist-oriented and humanist Zionists who founded Israel handled religion with great care. They excluded any specific reference to God from their declaration of independence as

one way of emphasizing the national and secular nature of the home for lows they were building. They encouraged a tolerant attitude toward all branches of Indaism and other religious.

David Hartman, an American-born Jewish hilosopher who has lived in Israel for 17 years,

calls the conflict between the continuing secular

ism of Israelis at large and the growing strength

of ultraorthodox groups over the government the "paradox of Israeli society."

"The Zionists built the Jewish home," he says, "but they could not define who was going to live

in the house. Jews with different experiences, memories and perceptions of Jewish history moved in. Israel became not the place of the new

"While Labor was building an army, a govern-ment, roads and all the other attributes of a

modern state," Mr. Hartman argues, "they were failing to build a spiritual culture to tie the

together. Zionists wanted the Jewish people to

w but of all the old Jews together."

Zionism to the state it created in its image.

elopments challenge the relevance today of

receiving federal financing for the 1992 conventions. These debates are too important and positive an ele-ment of the campaign to risk losing. The second healthy impovation of 1988 was the decision of network news organizations to do lengthy in-terviews with the candidates in their prime time evening news shows and their early morning or late night pro-grams. The 90 minutes of Michael Dukakis with Ted Koppel and the 15-

for the debates as a condition for

minute or half-hour interviews that Mr. Dukakis and George Bush had with other correspondents were opportunities to see and hear them go beyond the standard thetoric of their stump speeches and communicate something substantive about them-selves and their views.

Most of these interviews came very find the money to produce documentate in the campaign. If the networks tary biographies of the candidates, as

crack, maybe one evening a week for the nine or ten weeks of the campaign — the candidates would have the chance, and the need, to go beyond their sound-bite simplicities.

negative ads when voters regularly see the candidates in longer than 60-second slices. It is a reverse Gresham's law: Good television can cleanse the mind of cheap and negative television. The potential of the tube was dis-

played most vividly in 1988 by a Sherry Jones-Garry Wills documen-tary on the lives of Mr. Bush and Mr. Dukakis, aired on Public Televison's "Frontline" program. It was a superb character study, critical but balanced, and extraordinarily insightful.

A worthwhile project for some foundation would be to see that the comparable product for 1992 is aired early and often, and distributed as widely as possible in cassette form for people to see and discuss in their homes.

If the commercial networks have any pride, they will clear the time and

major newspapers and magazines al-ready do. These journalistic profiles were better than ever this year, and a contribution to public understanding. What about the negative ads? I am not for censorship, but it galls me—as it does all Americans—that taxpayer-supplied funds are used to produce this destructive, distorted stuff.

Without infringing on the candi-dates' free speech, I would like to see the requirement written into law that anyone who accepts the \$40 million plus of public money to finance his campaign must certify that ads pro-duced and sixed with that money have been personally approved by him.
Second, within 24 hours of each ad's

appearance, a campaign official designated by the candidate as his authorized representative should be re-quired to hold a news conference and be ready to provide evidence supporting all assertions in the ad and answer all questions arising from it.

Such accountability requirements might make the candidates think twice

about what they are putting on the air—and maybe clear the air of the worst political poliution. At the very least, they would prompt the press to examine those ads more carefully and expromptly than was the case this year. The Washington Post.

pose exaggeration and distortion more

enter the world and gain modernity through the state of Israel; they did not understand that others came here to recreate the ghetto and to

seek protection against modernity. And in this

The increased turnout of religious voters, parked by a bitter feed between two orthodox

rabbis, became significant when Israel's secular

majority refused to give either of the two big parties, Labor and the right-of-center Likud,

infettered power. They scattered their votes

broadly across the spectrum of parties, opening the way for the surprise that greeted and dis-mayed so many on the morning after the vote. This was an election that outsiders thought

would develop into a referendum on the conflict-ing programs of Labor and Likud for dealing with Arab neighbors. Instead, benumbed by the con-tinuing violence on the West Bank and in Gaza,

Israelis decided to take a break from the Palestin

That has produced foreboding and expres

sions of concern in many foreign capitals. But it is an exaggeration to conclude that Israel is being

taken over by Jewish ayatollahs or that much has

changed in the chances for a new round of Arab-

Israeli peacemaking, or to conclude that nothing

good can come of this. The election aftermath lies somewhere between Mr. Hartman's religious paradox and Mr. Flon's national political crisis

As you would expect in this highly articulate and politically committed society, the feeling that something fundamental has changed is producing a spirited debate and introspection about where

Israel is going. That is no bad thing at this point.

The Washington Post.

on the scale of problems.

ian problem and focus on the Israeli problem.

election the ghetto went to vote.

Too Many Can't Be **Bothered**

By Flora Lewis

PARIS — The good news is that I the grubby, cynical campaign is over. This column has to be written before the polls are closed, but the bad news has been telegraphed ahead. It is the number of Americans who cannot be bothered to vote.

The trend is spreading in the democratic countries. France had a referendum Sunday and only 37 percent of the voters turned out, but then it was on a confusing question of little immediate interest about the future of New Caladania That Land Canana of New Caledonia. The United States, on the crucial question of the nation's leader, has regularly had about the

worst voting record in the world.

In recent years, citzens of country after country have braved the police, stormed through the streets, even risked their lives to demand the right of choice that free elections give. of choice that free elections give.

Americans lag behind no one in

preaching their value, and congratulate themselves when dictators fall before the yearning for democracy. We

Americans are prepared to defend our
right to decide our fatte and that of allies

with a year expectal including rucles. with a vast assenal including muck weapons, but half of us feel no need to

practice what we urge on others. The suggestion is made that voting should be compulsory. That is even more demeaning to the privilege and responsibility of choice, in my view. Civism cannot be imposed by penalty. It is by definition a voluntary participation in the functioning of the state and in promoting cohesion of society.

There was a lot of talk about "American values," but in vague and accusatory terms, not really sturing a sense of the right to delegate power. Oddly, George Bush made as his main claim to consciout that he is in the claim to superiority that he is in the "mainstream," and no one objected. Apart from relegating Michael Du-lcakis to some side stream, or eddy, it meant that he asserted pride in being carried along by a current which he does not seek to influence. It is the opposite of helmsmanship, Small wonder so many felt there was little point to get up and perform the task of endors-ing a floater or his rival as leader.

But not choosing is also just float-ing, a form of submission that is the opposite of the idea of self-government. In their contradictory ways, Presidents Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan showed that Americans do not want to be introspective. They want a cheerleader. Well, that is all right. If we must be narcissistic, it is healthier, more typically American not to be morbid about it. Still, that does not explain such indifference to

the central act of a free citizen. There are a lot of theories on why American behavior is so far from American principle. There is more mobility, there are more newcomers than in most democracies; more of an idea that politics is so dirty that it is as well not to be involved even in trying to clean up. There is a sense that issues that it does not make much difference. Do we have to have a crisis, a decression, a war for people to think they

should make their weight felt?
Clearly, there is a lack of connection between the country and those who aspire to guide it. Yet, with television and computerized polls, the candidates have access to the citizens as never before. They get almost instant feedback on reaction

to every word and gesture.

It is no good blaming the scripts.

They were handcrafted and micromeasured to give the audience what it seemed to want. Nor did denunciation of the vacuous campaign affect the "handlers"; the figures showed that it brought better results than substance and courage might have done. It is probably true, though, that

communications and the struggle for the broad political center have, perversely, taken the edge off perceptions that political programs and definition of issues matter such a lot. The feeling that one side has a monopoly of good ideas and public virtue recedes before the evidence that society is too complex for any magic formula to make it work better. The urge is to relax and get on with one's own affairs.

The low turnout and refusal to address problems do send a mandate, if a passive one. The message is: Don't disturb us, just make us feel good; we have other things on our mind.

But the problems are still there and will remain when the cheers die

down. Some people do vote, and it puts an obligation on the men and women elected to embark on a different kind of campaign. It is to revive interest in society, a desire to participate, an acceptance of responsibility. These constitute the right to democracy, and such a campaign will be more useful than the one just ended. The New York Times.

Superpower Superdeficits Are Hurting Both Sides

WASHINGTON - Voodoo economics has a Moscow varian The Soviets, too, have been writing hot checks for years. Their confession to deficit budgeting underlines some of the tough policy choices that the next U.S. president will have to address.

The Soviet confession adds to the

ce that the Soviet economy is in wretched shape and therefore needs relief from the burdens of heavy military spending and running an expensive global foreign policy.

It also adds to the evidence that Mikhail Gorbachev is determined to force loos-hidden problems onto the public agenda in order to compel a recalcitrant Soviet political-bureaucratic structure to face up to them. By one tendency very much alive in Washington, the Soviet economy's miseries and Mr. Gorbachev's

reform instinct constitute a powerful double argument for keeping the heat on — for the United States to do what it can to keep the Soviet Union from easing its economic crisis on the cheap, without at the same time fundamentally altering its style of operating in the world and perhaps also its style of operating at frome.

There is plenty that the United States and any like-minded allies can do: Keep military spending high, By Stephen S. Rosenfeld

spots, hang tough on arms reductions, deny high technology and easy credits and so on. After all, this is the policy that built the pressures that brought reform to the Kremlin. There is a way to conduct such a policy without mak-ing it seem as though nothing had changed since the Cold War. Indeed, there is a whole school of

analysis holding that actually the Soviets are even more vulnerable to these pressures than Americans commonly believe. This school notes the strange irony that Mr. Gorbachev and his comrades in glasnost are now painting a darker picture of Soviet economic realities than the CIA paints. Its analytical pride stung, the CIA has responded — more strangeness — that the glasnost gang is exaggerating for political effect ("to blacken the record

of Gorbachev's predecessors").
This is a specialists' fight with serious implications for the rest of us — but implications that cut two ways. The deeper the swamp the Soviet economy is in, the more some Americans will want to push a hard line. And the more, meanwhile, other Americans may calculate that the United States can relax and can even safely and

WE should ask ourselves if we want the political, social and economic revitalization of the historical and current Soviet system. I think not, We should appland perestroiks but not finance it. We should not make concessions based on hope and popular enthusiasms here or superficial changes there. We should, however, take advantage of opportunities when the terms are favorable to us or where we can bring about desirable changes in Soviet policies — whether to promote human nights, freer emigration, strategic atability, solutions to Soviet-generated problems such as Afghanistan, or even expanded business ties.

— Robert M. Gates, deputy director of the CIA, speaking on Oct. 14 to the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

ng Sephardic and ultraorthodox groups

don't slack off in Third World hot profitably "help" Mr. Gorbachev by extending an open hand. There is a danger here that stands quite apart from the question of whether Washington will properly gauge the Soviet Union's likely re-

actions to the finally chosen blend of pressures and blandishments. The continuing excitements of Mr. Gorba-chev and Soviet reform tend to produce in the American foreign-policy dialogue a marked emphasis on Soviet difficulties and something of a relative de-emphasis on American difficulties. This can skew the whole policy debate. Let us pass by a study of compara-tive difficulties. I would simply stipu-late that, whether or not the United

States manages to generate a political will to do something about it, major economic and social disorders beset the United States. If America is not a society in the kind of recognized sys-temic crisis that afflicts the Soviet Union, then it is a society with immense bills, old and new, coming due. Are Americans ready for a \$50-to-\$100-billion pop to ball out the S&Ls?

Or would they prefer to spend that first extra \$100 billion on renewing the now grounded mucker-bomb-making capacity? Or ... But you get the idea.
The real situation is not that a failing Soviet society has exposed itself to political exploitation by a successful American society. The real situation is

is working on its problems and another country in another kind of trouble has yet to get fully serious. So it is that in a narrow foreignpolicy context the United States may have a bargaining advantage, but that

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text it does not. The pressures are mounting on both sides to find some of the necessary funds by arranging a mutual shrinkage of defense. America should not be beamised by too-clever The Washington Post.

thoughts of exploiting a moment of Soviet distraction and weakness. It should be pondering how to create the more stable and jostle-free relationship that would allow it to tend better to priorities stacked up at home.

100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1888: Harrison Wins NEW YORK - The so-called

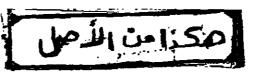
doubtful Western States have declared for General Benjamin Harrison, increasing his vote in the Electoral College to 233, thus giving him a majority of 65. The New York Times says: "Mr. Grover Cleveland has been defeated in New York by the treachery of Mr. David Hill and his followers, by the non-American part of the Irish vote and by money," Meanwhile in London, the Times commented: The Republicans, it is pretty certain, owe their viotory much more to the errors of their opponents and to the prejudices of the electorate than to any ments of their own." General Harrison may now be described as the President Fleet, though he remains a private person till the electors meet next month and proceed

to the formal appointment. 1913: Abuse Is Denied

gations made at Sofia that Bulgarians are being ill-treated by the Greeks in Thrace and Macedonia. It is recalled that out of 46 Bulgarian officers who fell into the hands of the Greek troops, only two died while prisoners of war.

1938: Jews Denounced

BERLIN - The German press and the German people raged against Jews today [Nov. 8] in a bitter fury over the shooting of Ernst von Rath, Third Secretary of the German Embassy in Paris, by Herschel Grynstan, yesterday. While the Nazi press crupted in tirades against Israchies. turbances broke out in Cassel and Bebra, Hessian province towns. In the former, mobs attacked Jew-owned stores and entered a synagogue, destroying some fixtures. The Dentsche Allgemeine Zeitung says: "Let no one be mistaken. The murderous Jewish attack in the Paris Embassy will have the most serious conser PARIS — The Hellenic Legation in for Jews in Germany, and also for



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Can't Be Moscow's Afghanistan Stall: Bothered Is Anyone Truly Surprised? By A. M. Rosenthal ance will never again have an ally a more mind more mind more mind make an ally a more mind more mind.

EW YORK — When you stop to think of it, the only really surprising thing about the Soviet decision to suspend its military withdrawal from Afghanistan was that the United States was surprised. Heaven knows, the Russians had been sending plenty of signals. They can hardly be blamed if America is taking a long vacation from reality. It is not Moscow's fault that the presidential manin Sunday and only 7. N EW YORK — When you stop to ance will never again have an ally as strong as President Mohammed Zia ul-

ON MY MIND

candidates decided that what was going on in the rest of the world was not worth talking about during the campaign.
And it is not Moscow's responsibility

that White House and State Department decision makers, as they are called, seem to be on a kind of intellectual vacation. They have this dream in common with some Western Kremlinologists: The new Gorbachev era means that the Kremlin will put certain powerful, historic and perfectly understandable Soviet national interests behind it - the 200-year-old struggle for Afghanistan among them. Alghanistan? Famine in Sudan? The Middle East? Whatever happened to Nic-aragua? Neither candidate really both-

include the compulsory. The hope that so many Americans had for the sole demeaning to the pints whole election. Both men lost.

But one day a crisis here or there will But one day a crisis near or date as a cannot be imposed by the president will have to awaken; so will the president will have to awaken; so will the president will be to awaken; so will be to awa the by definition a voluntary president will have to aware the president will have to aware the president will have to aware the president will have to start

The Russians were ringing agains an over the place. They dispatched new attack planes to Afghanistan. They sent new missiles and paraded them in the streets of Kabul.

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Earlier, they and the Soviet-appointed Afghan government had violently denounced Pakistan, which is the transfer point of American weapons headed to the Afghan resistance. Then the seant that he asserted prices ward the Afghan resistance. Then the stried along by a current of Pakistan and his top mililoss not seek to influence hi tary aides were killed in a most mysteri-coosite of heimsmanship, see ous airplane crash. The Afghan resist-

'Brezhnev' by Other Means

MERICANS thought they had a deal with the Kremlin on Afghanistan. It was called the Geneva Accords. The Soviets named at the Americans would withdraw half their troops by Aug. 15, 1988, and complete the with-drawal by Feb. 15, 1989. The new price of Soviet withdrawal would seem to amount to international recognition of a Soviet "right" to ensure survival of the Kabul to be morbid about it. If government (the very "right" claimed by loss not explain such moltes the Brezhnev Doctrine). Moscow clearly hopes to achieve by diplomacy the conthese are a lot of theores quest it was unable to win by force - From a column by Jeane Kirkpatrick

Haq. Obviously, any new Pakistani leader will consider the personal price

tag of support to the Afghan resistance. Recently, Soviet officials gave their own form of notice that the Kremlin would suspend the withdrawal of troops. The first phase of the pullout ended a couple of months ago. The withdrawal was to continue on Nov. 15 and to be completed by Feb. 15. But in the past few weeks, when asked about the schedule, Soviet diplomats hesitated for a couple of significant seconds and then were evasive

a manner screaming to be noticed. Nobody paid much attention until the Russians announced that the pullout was suspended. Swiftly recovering from their initial shock, official experts in Washington are telling us not to worry our pretty heads, that the new weapons and the pullout suspension are not really terribly mportant and that Moscow certainly will withdraw all its troops by Feb. 15. Possibly. But what the Russians have

been telling us all along is clear. Mikhail Gorbachev realized that the Soviet Union was mired in a war that could not be won because of the Afghan resistance. That movement inludes many leaders who are religious fanatics; you would not want to meet them in the gloaming. The United States may be opposing them some day, but meantime their followers have

carned the right to govern themselves. The Soviet pullout would end the loss of Soviet blood. And it would free Mr. Gorbachev to try to control Afghanistan economically, diplomatically and politically - with the threat of another inva-

sion never entirely removed.

He must be beaused to find that there are people in the West who actually believe that he has any intention, as the man duty bound to protect Soviet interests, to end all attempts to control a neighbor so important strategically to South Asia and so dangerously close geographically and emotionally to the Moslem lands conquered and swallowed by the czars and now part of the Soviet Union.

Mr. Gorbachev may find it in Soviet interests to complete the withdrawal. But the suspension is a warning that if he does not get a government in Kabul that he can dominate, he may reconsider the whole thing. He is saying to the West: Help me get out the way I want to,

or I may not get out at all.

He may fail, because of Afghan hatred of the new Soviet puppets now being paraded around the world. The Afghan fighters are saying to him what Hanoi said to the United States: The

deal for itself and its clients. Mr. Gorbachev is probably utterly astonished that anybody is surprised.

Now You Know About One Man Gang

D ARIS — For some days afterward, I my son kept looking in the newspapers to see what they had to say about the world championship wrestling tourna-ment. At age 12, he couldn't imagine that there really is nothing to say about a wrestling tournament, not even one billed as a world championship three times over. Wrestling is his favorite sport at the moment, just as it was mine at about that age, when Amonio Rocca and Haystack Calhoun were stars in the firmament. Now, watching the sport through the other end of the binoculars, I could not

Why is there nothing in the newspapers? So: The barricades leading up to the ring were sprayed golden and many of the fans had bought and were waving outsized orange hands with an upraised first finger. In the iconography, this meant that Randy Macho Man was No. 1. "We're for Randy Macho Man," my son

answer when my son John kept asking,

said. "We're against One Man Gang. We were also against Dino Bravo, a Canadian notorious for preclaiming at each bout, "USA is not OK."

Also on sale at the souvenir stands were T-shirts emblazoned "Hulk Rules." with four horizontal slashes through the back. This meant that when he worked out and his muscles expanded, Hulk Ho-

wide-ranging article. Nor is it correct to

(Editor's note: The Airbus sale to East

Germany was reported in the June 25 edi-

tions of the International Herald Tribune.)

ROBERT ALIZART.

Airbus Industrie.

Blagnac, France.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

DANZIGER

For Democracy in Burma

As one who has taught at Rangoon University, the scene of many demonstrations calling for the restoration of democracy in Burma, I am painfully aware of how a great number of voices have been silenced. Hundreds of students have been shot and killed; thousands have been arrested: thousands more have fled for their lives. Many of my colleagues have been jailed or are under constant

surveillance by the military. For as long as I can remember, Bur- An Airbus First, Too mese students have opposed the regime and have paid a terrible price for their ideals. The present junta has promised it will hold free and fair elections early in 1989. But such elections could only terflug ordered three Airbus A310-300s, take place if genuine press freedom making that country the first in the East

were assured, a new constitution en- bloc to acquire high-technology jets - 2 acted to guarantee human rights and all milestone that is not mentioned in your political prisoners released.

If the Burmese armed forces are not describe the Boeing 767 as containing prepared to take the necessary action to state-of-the-art flight control systems. uphold democracy, they should transfer That distinction belongs to the Airbus power to an interim government whose A320, which has digital, fly-by-wire conmembers are not connected with the trols driven by computers.

KYAW TINT

Regarding the report "Polish Line to Lease U.S. High-Tech Jets" (Nov. 4):

In June, the East German airling In-

unhappy, because that is inaccurate.

not seem too much to expect the media

to do at least minimal analysis of it,

before launching into long discussions

SHERE HITE.

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any newspaper has come.

Shere Hite: More Analysis, Please, and Less on My Life

Regarding "No Sex Please, While Shere Hite Is Talking" (Oct. 31):

Reading the article about me. I was reminded of the remark of Rainer Maria Rilke, "Fame is the sum total of the misconceptions gathered about a name."

It is not only a question of the exag-

geration of facts, or distortion of perway to get out is to get out.
But, unlike Washington, the Kremlin
will try to the very end to get the best spective, but of the choice of supposed facts judged worthy of inclusion. I failed to note even one sentence that would have given the reader a more profound understanding of what my book "Wom- hoping the next article will be better. en and Love" — or even the controversy about it — is all about.

discredited regime.

Nagoya, Japan.

The Openness Is Recent

Regarding "Germans and History: Give It to Us Straight" (Opinion, Oct. 29-30):

President Richard von Weizsäcker's assertion that West Germans have shown "openness" toward their history What did the third Hite report say, for the past 40 years is a misleading exaggeration. Anyone who has lived in anyway? Does anyone know? Please Germany during the past decade can don't answer that it said women are attest to the fact that only very recently has the populace had any real exposure However, that is the closest to analysis to the truths of the Nazi atrocities. Until After seven years' work to research about 1975, the Nazi period was largely and write "Women and Love," it does avoided in history classes.

Only when German historians and educators face the question of why 19thcentury German philosophy and political theory led so inexorably to the Nazis will the Germans be able to shake off the I must be a cockeyed optimist. I'm still burden of their dreadful recent history.

SAUL SCHECHTMAN. Vaux, France.

By Samuel Abt

gan was famous for splitting his T-shirt. Other bits of information available from the adjoining seat were that the manager of the British Bulldogs, a twoman tag team, was a bulldog named Matilda, who was not their official manager, really; that the Powers of Pain, another two-man tag team, were named individually Warlord and Barbarian and that each consisted of 300 pounds of muscle; and that the Bolsheviks, yet an-

MEANWHILE

other two-man tag team, were named individually Zhukov and Volkoff and that their manager was called The Slickster. Apparently the latest issue of the World Wrestling Federation magazine had been consecrated to tag teams.

The flow of information halted as the lights went down and colored lasers creed the clouds of smoke suddenly let loose by flaming sparklers. Up the aisle between the golden barricades strode Junk Yard Dog, wearing white trunks, white boots and, around his neck, a long link chain, the sort usually used to close factory gates. Dog's opponent, André the Giant, very sensibly refused to enter the ring until the chain was handed down to an official, and for this reluctance André, the only Frenchman on the bill at a Paris auditorium, was jeered by the crowd. After about 10 minutes of preliminary thrashing, 300-pound André laughed best by sitting on Dog until he subsided.

That was not a championship match, but the next one was, pitting Rockin' Robin, the challenger in a red outfit, against Sensational Sherry, in white. Both women stood by peaceably as the referee displayed Sherry's championship belt. "When you see Macho Man's, it's much bigger," my son reported. Sherry was nummeled, nounded and thrown through the ropes but did not yield to morosity an object lesson I pointed out to my son, his annoyance. In the end, using a thumb lock to advantage, she kept her belt.

Then came another championship, the British Bulldogs, the holders, against Demolition, one Ax and one Smash, who had painted their faces satanically. They also wore black, in contrast to the Bulldogs, who had the Union Jack on their shorts. Objective correlatives aside, the match was ugly. Demolition cheated throughout, as first Ax and then Smash illegally left their corner posts to beat up together on either of the Bulldogs, who played fair, as the British are said to do habitually. With the referee lying dazed on the floor after a wayward elbow from Demolition, the Bulldogs were pinned and had to yield their world-championship, diamond-encrusted belt.

They should have more than one referee," my son said. Yes, I agreed, it had been unfair but, as our late President John F. Kennedy liked to say, so was life. The Bulldogs would have to be mature enough to live with defeat until the next night, when the tournament resumed in

another city during its European tour. After Greg the Hammer Valentine, a Gorgeous George lookalike (Gorgeous George, I had to explain, was a Liberace lookalike), disposed of Don the Rock Muraco, or possibly the other way around, and Barry Horowitz was left prone and twitching by Leaping Lanny

Posso, we arrived at the main match. Again for a world championship, One Man Gang met Randy Macho Man Savage, who was accompanied by a woman in a low-cut gown. She was Elizabeth, his manager, my son said, and she spent the bout on the apron outside the ring, exhorting Macho Man and offering advice to the referee.

From the start, it was all action. Twisting Macho Man this way and that to obscure the referee's view, Gang used every foul in the book against his opponent. He pulled his hair, he hit below the belt. Elizabeth tried to inform the referee but could not be heard above the shouting of the crowd. Gang threw Macho Man against the ropes and, as he rebounded, hit him low and flipped him over. Macho Man dropped with a thud and lay stunned before he drew on the stamina developed in long hours of training and recovered enough to hurl Gang out of the ring. Elizabeth loved this part.

She, my son and thousands of others hated what came next. When Gang climbed back in, he gouged Macho Man, butted him and left him stunned and on his knees. Standing atop the corner ropes, the 440-pound Gang hurled himself to-ward the champion — who miraculously slid away just before the moment of impact. Gang crashed onto the canvas, lumbered up and began arguing with the referee, whom he then threw out of the ring. For this Gang was disqualified, leaving Macho Man champion.

It was late and we had to hurry out of the auditorium to make the last subway train home. As we were leaving, Macho Man took the ring microphone, called for silence and announced that he and Elizabeth loved Paris and especially the city's wrestling fans. "This isn't the way we want to thank you," he said. "This isn't the way we want to win." A true champion, he was offering to resume the match with One Man Gang if he promised to wrestle fairly. My son and I did not wait for the answer because we had seen a lot

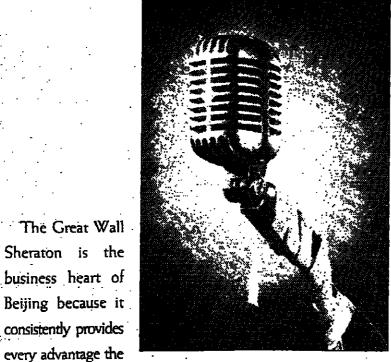
wrestling and had that train to catch. The next day, and for a few more days afterward, my son inspected the news-papers to read about the world championship wrestling tournament. To his disappointment, and perhaps the beginning of his disillusionment, nobody wrote a word. Now they have,

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Gdansk Workers Defy *Walesa in Launching New Shipyard Strikes

By Jackson Diehl

Washington Post Service
WARSAW - Workers at two shipyards in Gdansk attempted to launch strikes Tuesday, defying a decision by the Solidarity leader, Lech Walesa, to avoid such a chalenge to the government.

Witnesses and government offi-cials said several hundred militant workers in the Gdansk repair shipvard rallied and called for an occupation strike. Pro-Solidarity workers in the smaller Wisla yard also

Gorbachev Will Meet Estonians

By David Remnick MOSCOW -- Mikhail S. Gorbaher will meet here on Wednesday with the leaders of the Estonian republic, where people are irate about proposed changes in the So-viet Constitution that they say will further centralize power in Mos-

In the last week, Estonians have lamached a major petition drive in streets and factories, calling on the government to abandon the new draft laws and give the country's 15 constituent republics greater sover-

According to sources in the Estonian capital of Tallinn, many people there are so angry over the draft laws that if the proposals are passed in Moscow, they will call for secession from the Soviet Union. Such a movement would be an extraordinary challenge for the Soviet

"No republic has ever tried it." an economist, Arvo Kudo, said in a telephone interview, "but republics can leave the country under the laws of the constitution. I'm not saying it will come to that, but people are very upset."

Mr. Gorbachev will meet in the

Kremlin with the republic's Communist Party leader, Vaino Valjas, and two leaders of the Estonian Popular Front, a movement that has called for more economic and political independence from Mos-

Mr. Valjas has not made any ing the movement against the constitution, but he is popular in the republic and is sympathetic to the republic and is sympathetic goals of the Popular Front.

took over one of the enterprise's gates in a strike attempt.

The moves came as Mr. Walesa led a rally of thousands of workers in the Lenin shippard. Solidarity's birthplace and stronghold, against the announced liquidation of the enterprise. He refrained from calling for a strike, or even the "strike alert" he had previously threatened

Mr. Walesa, who has faced strong pressure from militant workers during successive this year, repudiated the protests. He threatened to quit his post as der of the banned trade union if they continued. "I am not happy," he said. "There is no obedi They seem to be treating me as someone who has failed to reach any political solution.

"If the strikes spread, I will be ready to resign. If they don't obey, it means I am losing importance."
Solidarity and Mr. Walesa have threatened a series of protests this month against the closing of the shipyard and the breakdown of moves toward negotiations between the government and Solidarity. The union blames the new political conflict on the refusal of General Wojciech Jaruzelski's leadership to consider the legalization of the union, as well as on the

confrontational tactics of Micczyslaw Rakowski, the prime minister.
Senior union leaders have also said, however, that they believe the country may not be ready for strikes as winter nears.

In the last week, Solidarity has pursued a strategy of trying to unite with official Communistbacked unions and the shipyard administration to oppose the closing, which is scheduled for Dec. 1. Both of the strikes Tuesday ap-peared weak. Mr. Walesa said 500

of the repair shipyard's 5,800 workers were involved in the occupation. The management of the enterprise declared a two-day holiday when the protest began and the shipyard's other workers went home, government officials said. At the Wisia yard, witnesses said only a few dozen workers occupied one gate of the site, while much of

continued working. Jerzy Urban, confirmed that several hundred workers were involved in a strike attempt at the repair yard. He praised Mr. Walesa for refraining from a strike call, saying strong public statements support- it showed realism and understand ing on his part and could mark a slight move back toward dialogue between government and opposi-

the rest of the 900-member crew



SAKHAROV IN MASSACHUSETTS — Andrei D. Sakharov holding a maple leaf while strolling in Somerville, Massachusetts. The Soviet human rights activist entered a hospital Tuesday for cardiovascular tests, reportedly to see if he needs a pacemaker.

Economic Ills Compound Yugoslav Political Strife

By C.G. Cupic

Special to the Herald Tribune BELGRADE — "You get used to cold showers," said Mrs. Jerko Antic as she showed a visitor her three-bedroom apartment in a high-rise suburban building. The family's hot water heater broke two years ago and the Antics cannot afford to replace it.

"With our inflation, we already spend every dinar we earn," she said. "The heater has to wait until we repay other loans."

Inflation is just one of the major

problems in a Yugoslavia wracked by economic hardship. According to the Federal Statistics Office, retail prices rose 19 percent in October from September and inflation is at an annual rate of 236 percent. The ethnic strife that is troubling Yugoslavia is linked to the economic distress. Many ethnic protest meetings this year in Serbia and Montenegro have turned into demonstrations against the economic policies that have depressed the standard of living to the level of late 1960s. Last month, a group of workers marched into the federal parliament to protest low wages

and the general economic crisis. Although the hot water heater

Antic works as an electrician at a shipyard in Split, on the Adriatic coast. He takes home 500,000 dinars (about \$140) a month; his wife, a part-time accountant at a plastics factory, earns about 450,000 dinars. More than half of their income is spent on rent and utilities, their two sons' day care and on loan payments for furniture

and electrical appliances. Like thousands of other families, the Antics are still adding up the cost of Yugoslavia's loan and credit policy during the mid-1970s. Then, consumer loans were easy to obtain, inflation was relatively low (under 15 percent), and interest rates were even lower (about 6 percent). Many people sought loans to finance new houses, apartments and vacation homes, to buy con-

The rich and powerful were taking big loans and had their houses built, while the small and poor were getting loans big enough to buy the material for houses that they built themselves," said a Belgrade economist who works for a federal planning commission and who request-

"Absolutely everybody could have taken any kind of loan and almost everybody did," he continall of us took a piece of the pic. His analysis was backed by a foreign trade official in Croatia,

who also requested anonymity. "Our economy was booming, we could get easy loans on the world's financial market," he said. "We forgot that we were an underdeveloped country. We overestimated

Easy borrowing brought an explosion of consumerism. Those who bought apartments or built houses in the late 1970s were lucky - today, they are making extreme-

ly low monthly repayments.
For example, Franka Buic of Zagreb bought her 30-square-meter (323-square-foot) studio for 540,000 dinars in 1979 (then worth \$29,000). She was earning 4,000 dinars a month at the time and her mortgage was 5,000 dinars a month, at 6 percent interest, for 20 years. Her company signed a bank guarantee knowing that she made extra money working as a transla-

"I'm still paying 5,000 dinars a month but today I'm earning 550,000," Ms. Buic said. "If I rented an apartment of the same size. I would be paying at least 10 times more rent. Now, 5,000 dinars buys The loan policy has tightened up

in the last few years. Zagreb's Ro-public of Croatia Bank provided 17,658 loans in 1986, of which In the first nine months of 1988, the bank issued 505 loans, including only three consumer loans. Bor-

rowers now pay floating interest rates that are adjusted every three months and are higher than the rate of inflation. Bad planning, political rivalries, corruption, disparities between the developed north and the underde-

veloped south are among other factors often blamed by Yugoslavs for Among the resources that Yugo-

slavs are increasingly using to get by are their savings in foreign currency, which they receive in remittances from Yugoslav workers abroad and from private exchange deals with tourists. Frane Horvat, president of the

federal Committee for Tourism, noted, "In the first nine months of this year, Yugoslavia earned \$1.27 billion, which is 28 percent more than in the same period last year. At the same time, there was only a 3-percent increase in the number of foreign tourists. It is difficult to

Banks throughout the country

have reported up to 50 percent intourists, foreign or domestic, and

up to this year we have never changed any foreign currency," said a bank clerk in a village near the Adriatic. "Now, almost every family has exchanged something marks, dollars, pounds, francs, Economic revisions begun this

year under the pressure of more than 1,000 strikes have not yet had any tangible results. Many observers doubt that any progress is possi-ble in reducing inflation until fed-eral and local governments cut their budgets drastically. "Croatia and Scrbia have started

doing that in the past few weeks and others will probably follow suit," said the trade official in Croatia, speaking of the governments of Yugoslavia's ax republics.

"We have made mistakes nobody elsewhere made," he said. "and now it's difficult even to look for examples of how to straighten things out. Nobody has been where

agreement for further demilitariza-

East Germany's Army

Wins Praise From Foes

NATO Cites Discipline, Training

And Excellence of Officer Corps

By Bernard E. Trainor

New York Times Service

Most NATO officers rate the East

German Army the best in the Warsaw Pact — the Soviet Army in-cluded — although it numbers only

120,000 and is made up of con-

scripts who serve only 18 months as

compared to two years for most of

The reputation of the East Ger-

man Army is based on discipline,

thoroughness of training and, most

of all, the leadership of its officers.

The army identifies youngsters with the potential to be military officers while they are still in high

school and steers them toward a

In recent discussions on military matters at East Germany's princi-

pal military schools, officer-stu-dents and faculty alike repeatedly

stressed the defensive nature of

Communist military forces, the

threat of American nuclear weap-

ons and the refusal of the West to

seek political solutions and an

the pact armies.

military career.

DRESDEN, East Germany

There are two institutions in East Germany that train officers for se-nior leadership positions: Wilhelm Picck Military Political College in East Berlin and Friedrich Engels Military Academy in Dresden.

The Pieck school, named after the first president of East Germany, trains selected political officers for the army. Political officers serve at every level within the armed forces as deputy commanders re-sponsible for educating soldiers in political thought. Western armies have no comparable officer.

The academy in Dresden con-centrates more on professional mil-

itary matters and its graduates have given the East Germans a good reputation within the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. But the Dresden school also sees its fundamental mission as expressing Communist thought.

Both schools are similar in organization and teaching technique. The courses last from three to four years and are attended by captains and junior majors whose average age is 28.

According to Major General Rolf Dietzser, commandant of the Engels school, the students study philosophy, history, political economics and a subject called politi-

cal management.

The students, he said, are graded on the correctness of political thought, clarity and logic of expression and polemics. Independent thought is encouraged, according to the general, "as long as it con-tributes to social realism and is scientifically supportable."

The Engels academy, with about 400 students, has double the enrollment of the political college in Berlin and includes students from other Warsaw Pact and Communist countries, including Vietnam.

Pinochet's Delegate On the Junta Resigns

SANTIAGO -- President Augusto Pinochet, completing a shake-up in the Chilean Army after his defeat in a plebiscite, has accepted the resignation of his repre-sentative on the ruling junta, an

army communiqué said. General Humberto Gordon, a former secret police chief, resigned after six years as General Pinochet's stand-in on the junta, which comprises the commanders-in-chief of the armed forces and the national police.





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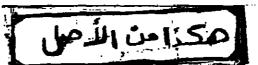
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WORLD BRIEFS

New Launching Set for Soviet Shuttle
MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Union will try again in the next few
days to launch a space shuttle after an attempt in October was scrubbed
because of a last-minute technical malfunction, Radio Moscow reported

The state-run radio said the shuttle orbiter Buran, or Snowstorm, and the booster rocket Energia were in launching position at the Baikonur space center in Soviet Kazakhstan. The broadcast gave no definite date. An earlier attempt to send the Buran on its maiden unmanned mission was aborted just 51 seconds before takeoff on Oct. 29 when a fault appeared in ground equipment

British Broadcast Unions Reject Plan

LONDON (Renters) — Spokesmen for British broadcasting unions unanimously opposed government proposals on Tuesday to ease broadcasting controls.

The government promised in a policy paper on Monday to give viewers and listeners a greater choice of television and radio programs in the 1990s and said quality would not be sacrificed.

The easing of broadcasting controls was expected to make dozens of new television channels and several hundred radio stations available to the public, but the unions said they believed quality would suffer as a

Cambodia Talks End With Little Gain

FERE-EN-TARDENOIS, France (Reuters) — Cambodian peace talks ended inconclusively Tuesday with negotiators agreed on only one basic issue: to put off another round of talks until September. Representatives met briefly at a hotel outside Paris to sign a joint

statement setting up a Paris-based working group to study the Cambodian problem and calling for an international conference.

But diplomatic sources said the most significant result of the two-day talks was a mutual agreement by two anti-government leaders and the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian prime minister to postpone a meeting provisionally planned for January by eight months. The postponement suggested that negotiators felt they needed time to allow tempers to cool and reconsider their positions, the sources said.

India Army General Killed in Punjab

NEW DELHI (NYT) — Gunmen presumed to be Sikhs killed a senior Indian Army general on Monday outside his home in Chandigarh, the Punjabi capital, news agencies reported Tuesday. No group took responsibility for the attack.

The victim, Major General B. N. Kumar, was the highest-ranking Indian Army officer to be killed by terrorists in nearly six years of

The reports said he was shot by two gunmen who fired automatic weapons at him and escaped in a van. Two of his aides were reported seriously wounded.

Burma Closes Courts for 10 Months

BANGKOK (Reuters) — Rangoon radio announced Tuesday that all courts would be closed until April in Burma, where hundreds of people have been arrested since mid-September after anti-government rioting. Citing disruptions caused by months of political turmoil, the radio said the court closure — said to have begun June 1 — was necessary because travel and administrative restrictions had made it difficult for people

seeking redress in courts to do so within statutes of limitations. The state radio also said the authorities had arrested a man accused of feeding falsehoods to the British Broadcasting Corporation. The radio, monitored in Bangkok, said a lawyer, Nay Min, 42, "had been sending fabricated news and false rumors" to the BBC. He had to be detained and charged, it added.

For the Record

A four-month-old baby boy has died of AIDS in the Black Sea resort of Odessa after being infected with the virus by his mother before birth, Stroitelnaya Gazeta reported Tuesday. It was the second reported death from AIDS in the Soviet Union.

A man went to the electric chair in Florida on Monday after he was convicted of killing four women. Jeffrey J. Dangherty, 33, criticized the legal system that condemned him and was put to death minutes after the U.S. Supreme Court refused to hear his appeal.

(AP)

TRAVEL UPDATE

European Flight Delays Grow Worse

BRUSSELS (Renters) — Flight delays on European airlines are still increasing and will rise further despite the end of the peak tourist season, the secretary-general of the Association of European Airlines said Tues-

day.

"It is very worrying and there is no end in sight," said Karl-Heinz
Neumeister. He blamed airport congestion and air traffic control probems that have resulted from an unexpected surge in European air traffic. Twenty-two percent of flights by member airlines were delayed by more than 15 minutes in September, compared with 17.9 percent in the peak tourist month of August and 14 percent in September 1987, according to the Brussels-based association. The association groups 21

major European airlines. A yearlong cleaning and restoration of the Trevi Fountain began Tuesday in central Rome. The work on the 18th-century fountain is to be done behind a 7-foot-high (213 centimeter) clear plastic barrier. (AP) Most of the 25,000 taxi cab drivers in Atheus began a four-day strike on Tuesday to protest anti-pollution restrictions that allow them to operate

only every other day in the central part of the city.

(AFP)

Sci Lanka has advised all tourists to leave the country because of continuing labor and civil turest. Amid reports that 10 people have been killed in the last two days by political extremists, a spokesman for the Sri Lankan tourist board said Tuesday that tourists should stay away until

the situation stabilizes. The Danish charter carrier Sterling Airways will reputriate about 325 Scandinavian tourists from Sri Lanka and will cancel all flights to the island because of unrest and shortages caused by strikes, an official of the airline said Tuesday in Copenhagen. (AFP)

Air France mions grouping ground staff and maintenance workers have called a three-hour strike at Paris airports Wednesday morning so they can take part in a demonstration to demand higher wages and extra staff. Mechanics at the airport at Toulouse, in southern France, have also been

NICARAGUA: Pleas but No Aid

(Continued from Page 1) rope with the Sandinistas," a Euro-

about \$500 million.

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president, Oscar Arias Sánchez In July, the government further and care for child victims of the defied the peace process by closing war. down the news program of Catholic Radio. It recently shut down government ordered Catholic Re-another program, "Six on the Dot," lief Services in New York to take one of Nicaragna's most widely back a shipment of medicine it sent heard independent news broad- to Managua.

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The contra aid bills this year included \$22.5 million for medicine

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After the Hurricane, Sandinista "I don't think even the tremen- officials called on the Catholic

> A small hotel on a little street called Rodeo Drive.

A Max Baril Hotel

THE BEVERLY RODEO HOTEL

10 Seized In Israel as **Arab Youths Battle Police**

TAIBE, Israel - Hundreds of stone-throwing Arab youths fought police on Tuesday during one of the largest protests in an Israeli town since a Palestinian uprising began in the occupied territories 11 months ago.

Townspeople observed a general protest strike and took to the streets to demonstrate against the demolition by police on Monday of 15 buildings erected without permits in Taibe, a town of 14,000 at the edge of the West Bank.

Police fired tear gas to disperse masked demonstrators who set up roadblocks, burned tires and hurled stones. Ten demonstrators

were arrested. Journalists watched while police beat and kicked an elderly man who struggled with them. Witnesses said police closed in on the man when he tried to stop them from arresting a youth suspected of throwing stones.

Troops this week have arrested dozens of suspects in the occupied territories, which were captured from Jordan and Egypt in the 1967 Middle East war, to pre-empt un-rest before the Palestinian National Council meeting, due to be held in

Algiers on Saturday.
The Palestine Liberation Organization has called for more protests following the Israeli elections, which gave Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and rightist backers the chance to form a government.

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even more optimistic about the fu-

ture of this great country of ours

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Moines. In Detroit, he said, "Our

spirits are bright, the future looks

After voting at home in Brook-

line, Massachusetts, a weary Mr. Dukakis, 55, said he had voted the

Mr. Bush, 64, who campaigned

Monday before heading to Hons-

ton, where he keeps a hotel suite as

his residence, said at his polling

place early Tuesday, "Every time I

Asked if he was confident of

vinning, be said, "No predictions."

The vice president called the vot-

To a French journalist, Mr. Bush

said he was "très heureux aujourd-hui," or "very happy today."

Based on polls and interviews with political analysts nationwide,

The Washington Post said Mr.

Bush was apparently leading in 33

kis was favored to win New York, Massachusetts, Rhode Island,

West Virginia and the District of Columbia and was considered a

clear favorite in Iowa and Hawaii.

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PLO: An Internal Debate Over the Recognition Issue

(Continued from Page 1) pied territories an independent nation according to the 1947 United Nations resolution that partitioned the British mandate of Palestine

A New York Times/CBS News

Poll reported Sunday that among

registered voters making up their minds late, 43 percent felt Mr.

Bush was more responsible for "the

negative campaigning there has been this year' and only 17 percent

The vice presidential candidates

Senator Lloyd Bentsen, 67, a

attracted considerable attention.

Texas Democrat, and Senator Dan

Quayle, 41, an Indiana Republican

blamed Mr. Dukakis.

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Dies at 69

The Associated Pres NEW HAVEN, Connecticut -

Kingman Brewster, 69, former

U.S. ambassador to Britain, died

Tuesday of a brain hemorrhage at a hospital in England, a Yale spokes-

Mr. Brewster died at a hospital in Oxford, according to the spokes-man, Walter Littell.

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into Arab and Jewish states. That declaration is expected to be made at the council meeting in Algiers in what many Palestinians interpret as a tacit recognition of Israel. Additionally, the organization plans to make a political declaration that is at the center of de- changes the resolution's signifi-

The critical issue is how far the ous acceptance of two UN resolutions - 242 and 338 -that recognize Israel while urging withdrawal from the occupied territories.

The issue of recognition has divided the PLO. Hard-line factions based in Damascus oppose early suggestions, made by the mainstream Fatah movement of the PLO chairman, Yasser Arafat, that VOTE: Bush Shows Early Strength the organization make major con-

The outcome of the Israeli elections, Mr. Milhem indicated, has strengthened the arguments of those who argue against concessions on the grounds that there is no prospect of Israeli benevolence in return. Israel refuses to talk to the PLO and regards it as a terrorist Ofganization.

"If anything emerged from this election," said a senior Jordanian of Palestinian origin, "it was that the Israelis are not ready to make

By that analysis, a Western envoy said, "psychologically it is almost a supreme effort for the PLO to become more flexible after these

Against this argument, some Palestinians maintain that the shifts in the region have lessened the significance of accepting a resolution rec-ognizing Israel. They say the declaration of an independent nation albeit under Israeli occupation -

MEMORIES: Kristallnacht Still Etched in Agony

England in July 1939.

(Continued from Page 1) travel, and were killed in a concenknow what happened on the marketplace of Montabaur in the notso-distant past in front of every-

body, so that the situation can never happen again." Mr. Possel-Dolken said. Invited to join in the commemocamps, but Werner had already left the street by an elderly resident the country and was in Haiti on who shook him and yelled: "Why ration were 12 Jews, the only survi-Kristallnacht, and Ernst made it to did you do this? Why did you do

vors the mayor could find of the old community in Montabaur, Some, like Alfred Stern, who was 13 on Kristallnacht, have refused. You must understand that although these events took place 50 years ago, I have not forgotten the behavior of the people at that

time," he wrote the mayor. Speaking by telephone from his home in Newcastle, England, Mr. Stern described how his father and mother, who were small dealers in leather, were kicked, spat on and jeered by townspeople, how even before that he had carried a truncheon to school to ward off bullies from the Hitler Youth.

Mr. Stem left Germany with a

Thus, Palestinian officials said, a declaration will go toward meeting lobby had emerged favoring acceptance of Resolutions 242 and 338 "as a basis for negotiation" and condemning terrorism in all its

forms, including state terrorism. It is not clear whether such formulations will satisfy either the PLO's moderate Arab supporters or the United States. Some Palestinians in Amman say they feel an unambiguous declaration should be made anyhow, if only to provoke a U.S. response.

But other former residents, such ly by on Kristalinacht. Werner Kahn of Miami Beach, And when his study was pub-

tration camp in 1942. nothing worse than stand helpless Florida, and his brother Ernst from lished — incidentally prompting Australia --- second cousins to Kar- the town council to erect a memorioline Kahn - have come. Their al at the site of the synagogue parents and sister died in the Mr. Wild said he was grabbed in

"I know some people refuse to come back, but that is the wrong From many interviews with townspeople and emigrant Jews, Mr. Wild pieced together the attitude, because one should demoustrate that they couldn't kill us. events of Kristallnacht in Montathat here I am, you couldn't do anything to me," said Ernst Kahn, The Nazi troopers arrived in two

quoted by name, even if they did

vans in the afternoon and the po-He said that one of his closest grom, ordered by Goebbels ostenchildhood friends, Heiner Conradi, sibly in retaliation for the assassibecame one of the most ardent and nation of a German diplomat in feared Nazis in Montabaur, and Paris by a Jew, began at 7:30 P.M. killed himself when the Third The tumult on Market Square, Reich collapsed in 1945.

where the Jews were brought, drew But there were others, neighbors a large crowd of townspeople. who helped, who left food at night Some looked away in shock, some in a hole in his parents' basement. tried to help, some joined the Na-In particular, there was Josef zis. The police did nothing. Born, a German two years younger The Jews were made to run the than Mr. Kahn, who continued

gauntlet, registered in the town hall bringing food to the elder Kahns and transported to the neighboring long after it became very dangerous village of Kirchahr. The women and children were to do so, and was inducted into the

army for so doing despite a physireleased after three days. The men were taken to Buchenwald, where "He was really my best friend, he they were kept in unspeakable conwouldn't have anything to do with the Nazis," Mr. Kahn said. "I visitditions for about three to four months.

ed him this morning, it was the first They returned emaciated, their thing I did. Yes, oh yes, he got his heads shaved, a yellow star on their arm around me and tried to kiss chest, and pledged to leave Germa-

Many people, Jews and Germans, spoke of Jews being hidden by neighbors, or food squirreled away in haystacks and other hiding Dubcek Will Visit Bologna

BOLOGNA - Alexander Dubmixed the memory. Marcus Wild, a cek, the former Czechoslovak leader whose "Prague Spring" reforms were crushed by a Soviet-led invastudent five years ago on the histo- sion in 1968, will arrive in Bologna ry of the Jewish population in the on Saturday on his first foreign trip town, said no residents agreed to be for 18 years, Italian officials said

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Toll Nears 1,000 In China Quake

By Daniel Southerland

Washington Post Service
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struck southwest China on Sunday rose close to 1,000.

An official in the Chinese Civil

Affairs Ministry in Beijing said the
death toll had reached 938, but it was clear that government infor-mation on casualties was still far

from complete. Reached by telephone on Tuesday night, an official at the national seismological center in Beijing said it was still impossible to know the full extent of the casualties beto some affected areas were still

The Chinese national television network, giving its viewers details of the earthquake for the first time, showed pictures of Chinese Army trucks loaded with soldiers rolling through damaged towns in Yunnan

The television report also

Executions Delayed in India

NEW DELHI - The Indian Supreme Court on Tuesday further stayed the execution of two Sikhs cted of the 1984 assassination

said the government had deployed 1,000 troops in 50 trucks to aid civilian relief workers. The epicenter of the earthquake was about 390 kilometers (240 miles) southwest of

One official in Kunming advised a foreign reporter to get his infor-mation from the Xinhua news agency. But the agency has been slow to report on casualties and has issued only a few brief reports on: People's Daily, the leading Com-

munist Party newspaper, carried a report on the earthquake on its front page on Tuesday but made no mention of casualtic

The earthquake has reminded the Chinese once again that 1988 is the Year of the Dragon, considered to be a year of trouble, turmoil and change. In the last Year of the Dragon, 1976, an earthquake killed at least a quarter of a million peo-ple in the northeast Chinese city of

The government appears eager to show that it is in control. In similar circumstances in the past, it has tended to withhold information about natural disasters until it can demonstrate success in dealing

Youngsters in a Manila suburb using a makeshift raft made of tires and planks on Tuesday after a typhoon left the

49 Feared Dead in Philippine Typhoon

MANILA — At least 49 people ere feared killed and more than 100,000 fled their homes when a boon struck the Philippines, of-

Relief officials said floods swept through villages in Capiz and Ca- day, the weather service said.

second destructive typhoon in two weeks hit the central region with 110-mile-an-hour (175-kilometer-

The typhoon, called Skip, missed hitting Manila directly. It was heading toward Vietnam on Tues-

At least 21 people were feared

houses in the mountainside village of Santa Ross in Camarines Sur, Gloria Linstro, the provincial civil

Three people were buried alive and three were missing and feared dead in another landshide in nearby

Red Cross and Social Welfare Department officials said 22 peo-ple died, most by drowning, else-where in the country. Nine drowned in coastal villages around Manila.

Many of those drowned children and elderly people.

Officials said that comm

could rise once reports arrived.

Provincial officials turned churches, schools and public markets into temporary evacuation centers to house about 115,000 people who fled floods in six prov-

army helicopters were flying food supplies to marconed vills A relief worker, Ale Edion, said evacuees reported that floodwaters had risen to the roofs of houses in

San Jose on Mindoro was under tions with many villages in the inte-nior of the affected provinces were said.

Thailand to Strengthen Ties to Burma Regime

By Steven Erlanger New York Times Service
BANGKOK — After some

sharp internal debate, Thailand has decided to expand relations significantly with the military government in Burms, the Thai Foreign Ministry announced Tuesday.

In the last week of November,

the Thai deputy foreign minister, Prapass Limphabhandu, will visit Rangoon at the head of a substantive economic and trade delegation that will introduce "a very broad relationship," Thei officials said. The Thai move will mark a break in the diplomatic freeze faced by

The protesters were demanding an and an end to single-party rule.

Diplomats in Burma say that well over 1,000 people died in the military crackdown that reasserted the power of the elite around the

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Win. The Rangoon government's official figure is about 440 dead.

General Saw Maung has promised to open Burma to significant foreign trade and to conduct elections when "conduct is extend."

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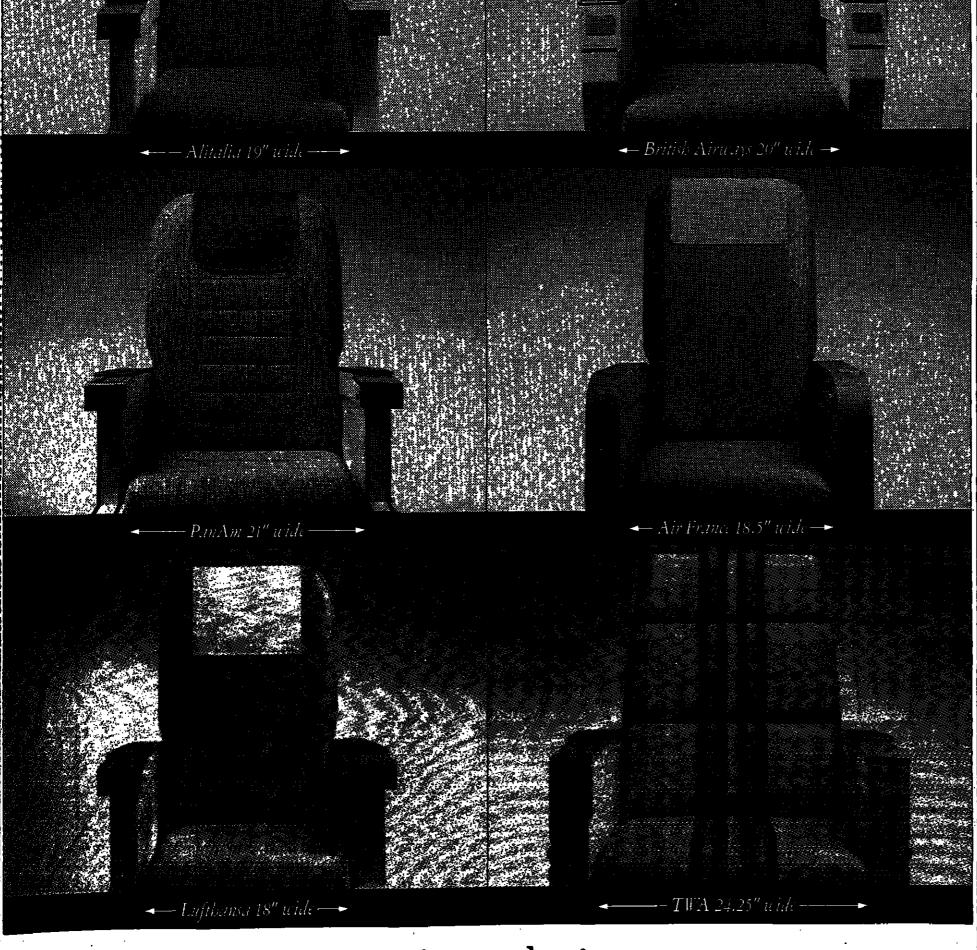
registered for the elections, divid-ing the opposition. Voting is ex-pected to take place this spring. dents, who led the demonstrations against the regime, have fled to insurgent groups of ethnic minor-ities along Burma's borders.

The Thai government has reacted coldly to student requests for assistance, and has deported Bur-

that has kept a correct and neigh-borly foreign policy toward Bur-ma," one That official said. "We the Burmese military government never tried to interfere with inter-of General Saw Maung which took nal Burmese policy. We remain an power Sept. 18 in a coup that ally, the best friend Burma has had crushed civilian demonstrations. in a hostile environment."

The Thai officials said there was dom of their diplomatic initiative.
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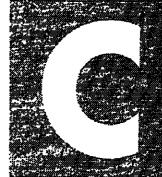


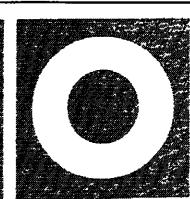
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Liberalization and privatization, the keynotes of Moroccan economic policy, are bringing radical changes to this North African country, which plans to build a permanent link with Europe, the natural ally of the pro-Western kingdom.

The centrist government of Premier Azzedine Laraki vowed to implement a "bold privatization policy" when it took office in April 1985. Last month it submitted draft legislation to parliament to privatize about 400 state enterprises.

Privatization dovetails into the government's financial readjustment program, policies which have earned it the support of the World Bank and the IMF. In October Morocco had \$940 million worth of debt rescheduled by the Paris Club of Eleven creditor nations, a move that officials in Rabat viewed as a vote of confidence in the country.

Recent performance shows promise. Finance Minister Mohamed Berrada predicts that inflation will be kept down to 4.5 percent this year, one of the lowest rates in the Third World, and that gross domestic product will grow 5 percent.

New industrial investments approved by the government in the first nine months of this year rose by over 40 percent to 4.1 billion dirhams (\$500 million) compared to the same period in 1987. The vast majority of the fresh capital is being put up by private promoters, domestic and foreign.

The government also plans to develop the phosphate industry to make it a world leader before the end of this century, and to modernize its infrastruc-

High tech and learning English have also become part of the business scene, particularly among a younger generation keen to keep up with economic innovations in the Western world, the example being set in both fields by King Hassan himself.



In the future, Morocco's thriving shipping industry may be complemented by a permanent link across the Straits of Gibraltar.



Permanent Link Planned Between Africa and Europe

The limestone Rock of Gibraltar and its sister peak at Ceuta on the African side — the so-called "Pillars of Hercules" — are only 10 miles (16 kilometers) apart and the idea of linking them together has been discussed for over a centu-

When the Spanish engineer Laurent de Valledeuil proposed the idea in 1869 it was pronounced "useless and impossible." But over the past 20 years there have been numerous meetings between politicians, technicians and engineers from both sides to study the project. Now the governments in Madrid and Rabat are giving it serious consideration.

An ancient Greek myth says Hercules created the Gibraltar Straits by pushing apart the African and European continents. Now Spain and Morocco want to join them together again.

King Juan Carlos of Spain and Morocco's King Hassan II, who are due to meet this month, have both given their support to what is being billed as potentially the biggest engineering achievement of the 21st century.

Most experts agree the difficulties are gigantic. Between Gibraltar and Ceuta, where the straits are nearly 3,000 feet (900 meters) deep, the enormous water pressures would make burrowing a tunnel difficult. Further west the waters are shallower, but the distance between Spain and Morocco is over

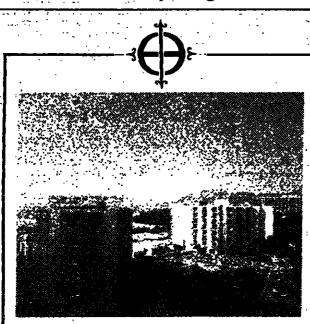
22 miles (35 kilometers). Added to this, there are the problems of high winds and strong currents to contend with. Moreover, despite the Greek myth, the straits were in fact formed by a colossal

geological fault at a point where the African and European land masses meet. It is by no means certain that the fault is entirely stable and not prone to seismic movements.

Finally, the Gibraltar Straits are among the busiest shipping lanes in the world, with many millions of tons of traffic passing through each year between the Atlantic and the Mediterranean.

The promoters have yet to decide whether to build a bridge or dig a tunnel. Either solution would take between 10 and 15 years and, while current estimates of the cost have already reached \$10 billion, this fig-

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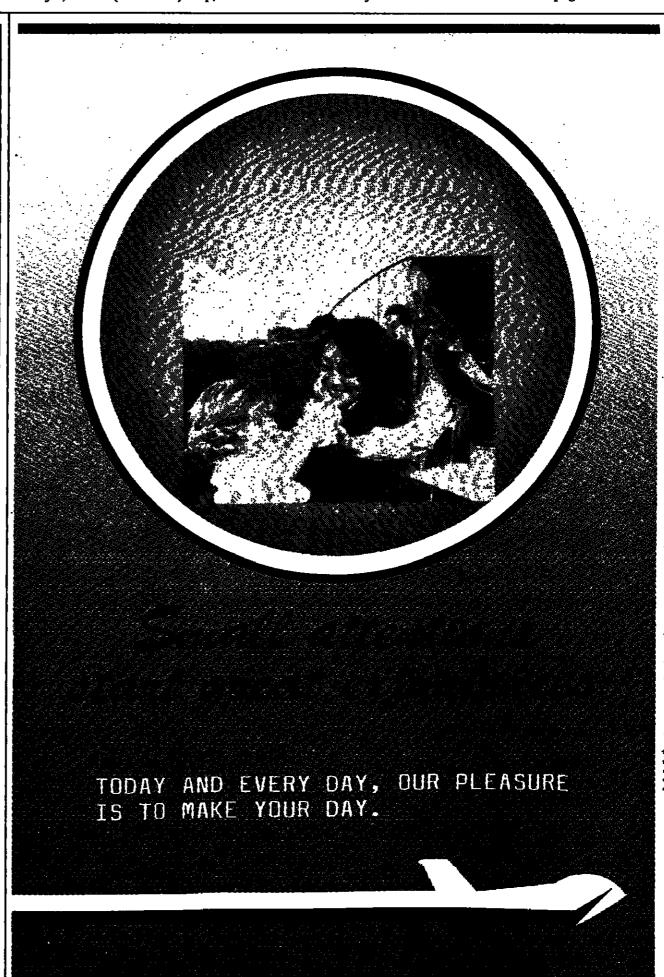
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Building on the Basis of A Modern Infrastructure

Morocco has an impressive infrastructure, one which belies its image as a poor, third-world country. Travel is easy and communications are good in all but the most isolated areas.

All of its cities — be it the ancient imperial capitals of Fez and Marrakech, the thriving modern port of Casablanca, the faded splendor of post-colonial Tangier, or the bustling tourist center of Agadir — boast superb hotels.

Some of the more famous such as the El Minzah in Tangier, the favorite haunt of a wealthy expatriate community when the city was governed under international mandate, have passed into legend.

The good times may have gone forever, but it is still worth a visit. Old aristocratic ladies from obscure European dynasties still play cards in the bar, dreaming of a by-gone

Others like the Mamounia in Marrakech, where Winston Churchill used to paint and which multimillionaire banker David Rockefeller described as the "cheapest luxury you can find anywhere these days," still do a thriving trade.

Well-surfaced roads wind their way through the Atlas and Rif mountain chains linking all major towns. Even the most remote villages now seem to be within a day's donkey ride of main roads. For the intrepid traveler, the most isolated parts of the country can be reached by landrover or jeep across bumpy mountain tracks.

In the main population centers, such as Casablanca, the roads are up to Western European standards.

A motorway links the commercial capital and bustling port of

cial capital and bustling port of Casablanca to the administrative capital of Rabat. Work on a new motorway from Rabat to Kenitra on the main route to the northern port of Tangier is expected to start shortly.

The country had a total of 59,200 kilometers (37,000 miles) of roads in 1986, of which almost half were paved and approximately one fifth classified as "A" roads.

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A total of 760,000 vehicles were registered, but transport consultants claim the real figure could be far less because there is no adequate means of determining how many cars are scrapped each year.

For city-to-city travel, however, many prefer to take a train, which in Morocco offers the unbeatable combination of being quick, cheap and comfortable.

The famous Marrakech express links Casablanca and the ancient imperial town on the snow-capped Atlas mountains. Now known as the "Aouita" — after Morocco's world-renowned athlete — the express takes a little under four and a half hours.

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Traveling first class is not expensive — about 16 dollars for a Casablanca-Marrakech round trip.

Compartments are air-conditioned and drinks and food regularly served. For longer journeys, overnight sleeping cars are also available.

Morocco's 1,780 kilometers (1,100 miles) of rail track carried about 12 million passengers and millions of tons of goods traffic in 1986.

Passenger traffic has grown rapidly since 1973 — when only 4.3 million people were carried — largely due to the government's campaign to promote the use of public transport.

In 1984, the Office National des Chemins de Fer (ONCF) finished building a second track between Casablanca and Rabat on which the frequent shuttle trains leave every 40 minutes to reach speeds of 160 kilometers an hour (100 miles an hour).

For the more adventurous, there is a nationwide coach and bus service — reputed by serious travelers to be the only real way to see the country and meet the people.

But for those who left back-pack-

But for those who left back-packing on the campus, the national air carrier Royal Air Maroc (RAM) also has a number of reasonably priced internal flights.

Morocco has international airports at Casablanca, Rabat, Tangier, Marrakech, Agadir, Fez, Oujda and Laayoune in the Western Sahara

With 30 offices worldwide, RAM has regular flights to Europe and the United States. There is a direct



Road, rail and shipping links converge on Casablanca.

Casablanca-New York flight, but for other U.S. routes one often has to pass through Paris.

RAM — 93 percent owned by the state — plays a key role in developing the country's tourism. It has already announced the purchase of 10 new Boeing 747s at a cost of \$450 million — and taken an option on a further 10 — to reequip its fleet in readiness for increased competition after deregulation hits nearby Western Europe.

RAM, which already has two jumbo 747s in a total fleet of 22 aircraft, has an annual turnover of around three billion dirhams (350 million dollars) and employs 4,800 staff in 30 countries. In 1986, the airline carried some 1.5 million passengers and 20,000 metric tons of cargo.

Morocco has also developed a thriving shipping industry. The country's main ports are Casablanca, and Tangier in the north. A new \$136 million oil terminal at Mo-

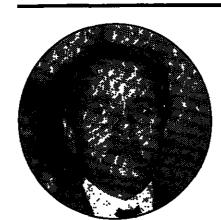
hammedia port, a few miles north from Casablanca, was inaugurated by King Hassan in August.

Last December, a new ultramodern port at Jorf Lasfar (80 miles south of Casablanca) that is equipped to receive 100,000-ton oil tankers and 150,000-ton natural gas carriers also entered into operation.

The complex cost some \$6 million to build. It consists of a two-mile-long jetty and a number of smaller floating quays and is destined to become the main outlet for Morocco's phosphate exports after completion of a delivery pipe.

Following the new investments, activity in Morocco's ports increased by 11.7 percent during the first nine months of 1988 against the same 1987 period. Official figures reveal that 28.8 million metric tons were shipped through the end of August 1988.

Michael Scott



Mr. Driss Basri, who heads the Ministry of Interior and Information, is an avid proponent of decentralization. Under his leadership, the ministry is studying means to further improve the financing of city projects. State aid toward infrastructural change at the municipal level has already increased from 220 million dirhams in 1978 to 615 million dirhams in 1985.

Information Technology: Low Costs and High Hopes

As Morocco moves into the information age, high tech has captured the attention of industrialists and fired the imagination of inventors.

A Mediterranean "Exposcience" exhibition in Rabat in July featured inventions by Abdullah Boukhanfoura, a Moroccan experimental science student and a self-confessed "electronics freak." Not yet 20 years old, he has designed audio and video cassettes that can be recorded on both sides, patented his inventions and said he was negotiating with multinationals to market them.

Even King Hassan II has joined the list of Moroccan inventors. He designed an apparatus to monitor an athlete's heartbeats while running around a track by a remotecontrolled radio and video system.

The device was demonstrated to the public for the first time at the Exposcience show attended by 300 high-tech buffs aged between 13 and 20 from around the Mediterranean.

In Rabat the government has its own information science school where students are being trained for jobs in the administration, plus a telecommunications school.

There is also a government program to train people in nuclear technology in readiness for the day when the country starts to generate its own nuclear energy.

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Visiting educators say high tech
is catching on quickly. They have
detected considerable enthusiasm
among students for advanced technology. Computer magazines sell
well and private schools for data-

processing training are thriving.
"It is considered very chic and modern to know what a byte is," one said.

An estimated 10,000 microcomputers are already in use, three quarters of them in the private sector, and about 60 retail outlets have opened in the country.

Retailers say there is a "free-forall" atmosphere in the market where a wide variety of makes is available — IBM, Burroughs, Apple, Bull, Hewlett Packard, Amstrad, Nixdorf and others.

The government hopes to regulate this sector during the current 1988-92 economic development plan, and has set up a special com-

mittee to map out a strategy for developing the industry.

But market operators say the government would do better to leave well enough alone because all the growth to date has been the work of private enterprises in a free-market environment.

Hassan Kadiri, chief of information technology at the Planning Ministry's statistics department, argues that coordination is desirable because data-processing technology has tended to outstrip the capacity of the telecommunications network. The telecoms administration is in the process of modernizing the network with a major digital switching program, but it will take several years to complete.

The potential market for computer equipment could reach \$25 million, fueled by vigorous growth in the export-oriented textile and agro-industry sectors which must operate in the highly competitive European market.

While one company has started manufacturing Atlas micros, the government says it will welcome multinationals who want to set up joint ventures.

A start in this field has been made by Nixdorf of West Germany in a project which incorporates a program for technical and maintenance training, a concept which the authorities say they are keen to encourage.

Motorola of the United States and the European conglomerate Philips have investigated the possibility of using low-cost Moroccan labor to produce high-tech components, but the most successful venture in this sector to date is a subsidiary of SGS-Thomson of France.

Thomson set up its local subsidiary, Société de Fabrications Radioélectriques Marocaines (SFRM), before independence in 1952 and it now employs 2,100 staff at its two plants in the Casablanca area. Its plant in Ain Sebaa, the industrial suburb north of Casablanca, manufacture semiconductors for export.

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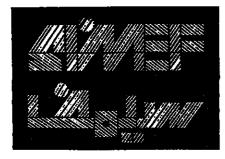
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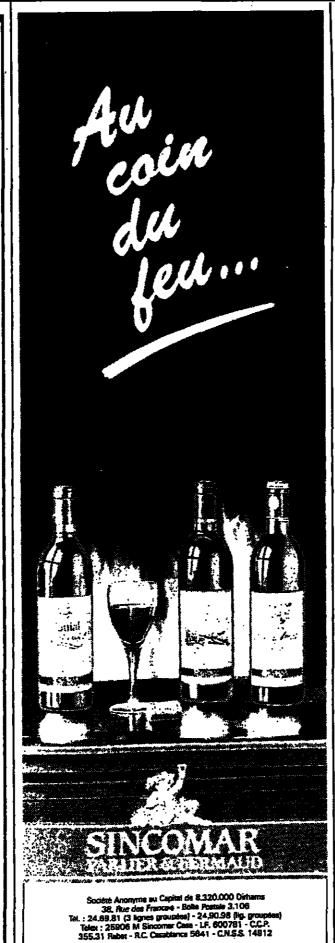
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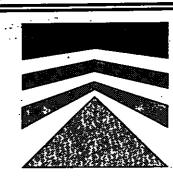
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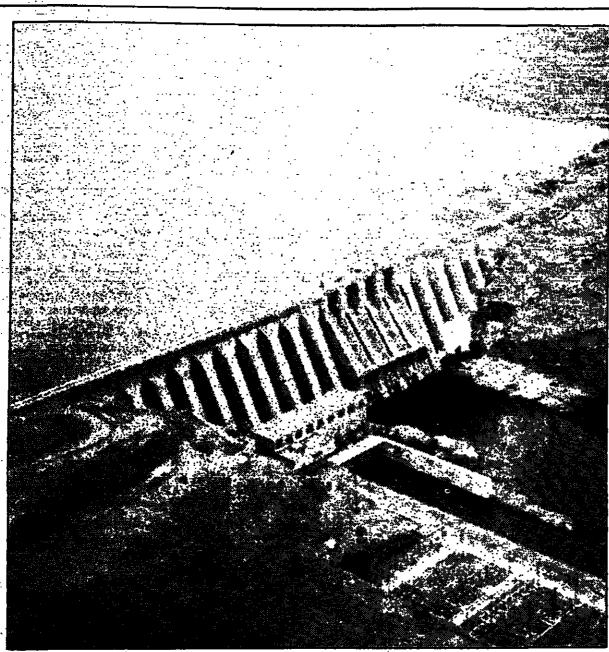
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In recent years, research and development have played a key part in Morocco's emergence as a modern country. Science and technology have underpinned the country's ambitious schedule to construct one new dam a year, a project most emphatically embodied in Al Massira — the largest dam in Morocco. The dam, which supplies the inhabitants, industries and farmers in the region between Casablanca and Safi, is named after the celebrated Green March which King Hassan II launched in 1975 to reclaim desert lands.

Permanent Link Planned

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ure might double or even triple by the time ground is broken.

Several solutions are being studied, beginning with a classic tunnel at the shallower end of the straits. It would have to be up to 30 miles (48 kilometers) long, including the land-approaches on each side.

A second formula is a "floating tunnel" formed by a tube submerged half way below the surface no anchored to the pottom by huge cables. But this may prove a serious hazard for Soviet or NATO submarines, not to mention the risk they present to the tube itself.

A bridge could take one of two forms. It might float on large pontoons, with several long spans to let ships pass underneath. Or it could become the world's longest suspension bridge and be anchored to offshore pylons.

The latter would be spectacular, but experts say current technology is incapable of building the

9,800 feet (3,000 meter) spans that would be needed. Before this could happen new metal alloys need to be developed.

Another possibility would be to build a dam with a causeway running along the top. On each end of this dam there would be locks to let ships through and turbines to generate electric power.

Aside from the technical problems, promoters say they have vet to convince the world that such a link would be economically viable.

In Spain and Morocco, the project is seen as being on a par with the Suez Canal. But while the Canal was clearly a profitable proposition, the economic necessity of linking Africa and Europe is less obvious.

Nobel laureate Wassily Leontif was recently asked to report on the economic implications and evaluate

the potential for north-south traffic. The most enthusiastic of the permanent link's promoters believe there is a huge potential for chan-

neling trade, most of which is currently carried by sea, between Europe and North and West Africa. Their brochures show how African road and rail networks converge on Tangier on the straits, along routes that could be used to speed up north-south trade.

This October, in Rabat, a joint Moroccan-Spanish committee agreed to convene a conference of European and African business and transport leaders to arouse international interest in the link.

To be held in Morocco in 1990, the conference would also have to talk about financial strategies and launch an appeal for international

Manuel Panadaros, head of the Spanish delegation on the committee, said: "The project has become a serious idea for the international scientific community which we hope will be reinforced by the con-

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Personal Contact Is the Key to Business

Hotels are numerous and good, equipped with telex and direct dial international telephones. The main credit cards are widely accepted and it is easy to change travelers checks. Food is generally good and labor cheap and willing.

In the main hotels of Casablanca and Rabat there are well-equipped "business centers" with facsimile machines, photocopiers and secretaries to type notes and receive confidential telex messages. Interpreter and translation services are also readily available.

In addition, the country has a good infrastructure with excellent road, air and rail links; all the main international car hire firms are in evidence.

All the main cities have international airports, taxis are cheap and in plentiful supply, and the port of Casablanca is now one of the most important on the whole continent.

The country is safe. It has a low crime rate and foreigners do not need inoculations though boosters may be advisable.

But Morocco is not a market which can be successfully entered or cultivated from a distance. Visits are indispensable.

French is still the business language. Businessmen and officials are more familiar with French commercial practices and therefore the way a non-French firm makes its initial approach is extremely important.

Firms unable or unwilling to correspond and provide literature in French create a practical and psychological barrier which will seriously impede gaining a market foothold.

Although there is a growing interest among businessmen in learning

Situated on the crossroads between Europe and Africa, the Mediterranean and Atlantic, Christianity and Islam. Morocco is eager to diversify away from the traditional sources of supply and ready to welcome foreign firms.

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ed in foreigners. All the

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English or German, few. of them are fluent, and fewer still would take any serious initiative on the basis of descriptive material in English or German.

Indeed, it is exceptional for unsolicited direct mail - even in French to meet with any response at all. Foreign firms are strongly advised against direct mail, particularly as a way of finding an

Personal contact is the ingredient most needed to establish confidence with potential agents and cus-tomers. The latter see a visit as a welcome demonstration of serious intent, and usually respond accordingly.

Foreign businessmen regularly find that discussions during a trip reveal opportunities not proviously envisaged.

It is a pleasant country to visit, but business visitors should avoid the Muslim holy month of Ramadan (which is determined by the lunar calen-dar and has recently fall-en around May) and the summer holiday season of mid-July to the end of August.

Moroccans like holi-

days and there are many feast days. When a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday — Morocco observes the Christian weekend for business purposes -- King Hassan II often declares an extra weekday's holiday. In such cases only a few days' no-

tice is given. Above all else, doing business in the country

course, no offense will be aken over frugal eating. And they won't let visitors go home unless they have tasted the national beverage: piping hot green tea flavored with

fresh mint and sweetened with large chunks of sugar. Although very hot it is an excellent thirstquencher and good for the digestion.

The last word must be about Moroccan wines. Their quality can be judged by the fact that large quantities are exported to France. There are good local reds and rosés like Toulal Guerrouane that go down very well with a tajine.

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Natural Resources: Balancing the Equation

Phosphate rock — the raw material of fertilizers and detergents - is the mainstay of Morocco's economy. The country boasts the world's biggest reserves of phosphate rock with an estimated 58 million metric tons or 70 percent of the world's total.

While the United States and the than 30 percent, while exports of Soviet Union produce more raw rock, Morocco is the world's biggest phosphate exporter, although the tomage sold abroad has gradually declined from a peak of about 20 to 13 million metric tons in 1987.

The price fetched by raw rock has also fallen from a high of \$64 to below \$30 a ton, but this is offset by processing the rock locally instead of exporting it raw.

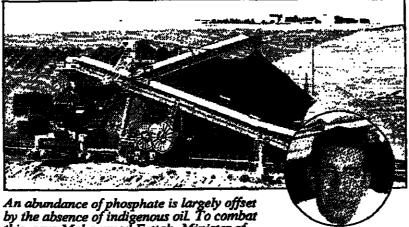
Since the mid-1970s, increasing quantities of phosphate have been transformed locally into higher value fertilizers and phosphoric acid.

Exports of phosphoric acid reached a record 1.4 million metric

fertilizers were around 700,000 met-

The phosphate industry is a state monopoly run by the Office Chérifien des Phosphates (OCP), headed by former Prime Minister Mohamed Karim Lamrani and will not be affected by plans to privatize state enterprises. The biggest industrial enterprise in the country, it employs nearly 32,000 people and is a major contributor to the state treasury.

The OCP plans to increase local processing capacity at Safi and Jorf Lasfar, on the coast south of Casablanca, to 24 million metric tons a tons last year, an increase of more year, and raise raw rock production



this, says Mohammed Fettah, Minister of Mines and Energy: "We are encouraging research in methods to promote renewable energy resources to reduce our country's fuel expenses and alleviate cash flow problems."

capacity at the main mines in Youssoufia, Khouribga and elsewhere to 60 million metric tons by the year 2000. The number of phosphoric acid plants will increase from four to six, and a new mine is to be opened up with the help of the Soviet Union at Meskala, between the city of Marrakech and the Atlantic coast

Meskala, where ground is to be

broken in 1992, is expected to eventually produce 10 million metric tons of rock for export to the Soviet Union under what the Moroccans term "the contract of the century."

The phosphate industry acts as a locomotive for other sectors, particularly energy production. A coalfired electric power plant of 1.200 megawatts is to be built at Jorf Lasfar, a new harbor mangu-

rated last year south of Casablanca. The plant will cover nearly 45 percent of the country's electric power requirements and be designed for easy conversion to natural gas.

Also on the drawing board is an oil refinery at Jorf Lasfar that will have an annual capacity of five million metric tons of crude. When added to the two existing refineries at Mohammedia and Sidi Kacem, this would almost double the national capacity.

Because of slack world prices, which accounted for a 22.8 percent slump in export earnings in 1986, output of most minerals declined or stagnated last year, falling by 1.6 percent overall. The total value of mineral exports including raw phosphate in 1987 was just under \$500 million.

Conversely, oil accounts for the biggest debit in Morocco's balance of payments. Despite extensive searches on land and sea, no significant petroleum finds have been made in the last quarter of a century and Morocco remains heavily dependent on energy imports. Oil accounted for over 15 percent of total imports in 1987, compared to 13 percent the year before, and cost nearly \$750 million. More than half of the 5 million metric tons of imported crude oil come from Saudi

Several options are open to the officials seeking to remedy this energy deficiency. They include building more hydroelectric plants, and substituting coal for fuel oil in cement and sugar plants.

Plans to extract oil from the large shale deposits in the center and south of the country have been shelved due to the world slump in oil prices.

Also on a back burner are plans to build nuclear power plants. A site has been chosen for the first one near Essaouira on the coast north of Agadir, where nuclear power could eventually be generated from urani-um extracted from phosphoric acid.

But Morocco's brightest hope today is the construction of a pipeline taking Algerian natural gas across north Morocco to Spain. The plan was agreed in principle after Mo-rocco and Algeria were reconciled last May. King Hassan of Morocco and Algerian President Chadli Benjedid have both said they are determined to give priority to the pipe-

Teaching English as a Second Language

Educators say English is enjoying a popular vogue for many reasons, but primarily because it is considered essential in order to acquire economic and scientific know-how.

Gordon Schomberg, a Londoner who taught English at a military college, says youngsters also see English as a "fun" language. "They like to be able to understand and sing pop music lyrics."

The trend is encouraged by King Hassan II, who speaks impeccable Arabic and French and has also learned English since he ascended to the throne in 1961. He gave a news conference in English when he

last visited Washington. There are upwards of 2,300 Moroccans teaching English in state schools, with English departments in all six universities, but in recent years there has also been a big boom in private schools either teaching the language or using it as a medium to learn business man-

agement and data-processing skills. The U.S. is very active in the field. There are already six AmeriMoroccans generally have a gift for languages. Apart from their native Arabic or Berber, many of them learned to speak French or Spanish fluently during the protectorates, but since independence in 1956 English has become the "in" language.

can Language Centers in the country, and two more will be opening soon. "Business is booming," confirms Gary Butzbach, director of the center in Rabat.

The Peace Corps also has about a hundred volunteers teaching English in state schools, while the British Council teaches 650 students at its popular language school in Ra-

Mr. Butzbach and British Council Director Peter Taylor say many of their adult students are anxious to learn English for professional

But Donald Britten, British adviser to the Education Ministry on the teaching of English, believes that the teaching of English will really take off when improved methods and materials are introduced into the schools. English is already being upgraded in high school examinations to give it the same "coefficient" or rating as Arabic, and Education Minister Mohamed Hilali has said students in future will be given the option of taking either French of English as

Students want to be able to read technical manuals and papers submitted to international conferences of all kinds. Many also dream of going to study in the U.S. or Brit-

their first foreign language.

Sue Baret of the American Middle East Foundation in Rabat says that "officially" there are 880 Moroccans studying higher education in the U.S. but the real figure is probably nearer 2,000.

The figures are small compared to the number of Moroccan students in France (about 22,0000), Belgium (6,500) or francophone Canada (3,500). The reason is not just that French is the dominant foreign language and likely to remain so, but also because higher education in these tends to cost less.

At the American schools in Tangier, Rabat and Casablanca, annual fees can reach \$4,000 — way beyond the budget of the average Moroccan family. French lycees cost a fraction of this amount, and graduates can also qualify for scholarships in France paid for by the French and Moroccan govern-

Still, educators say that despite an apparent "language overload," more and more Moroccans will be learning English and other foreign languages which King Hassan has described as "the key to the outside



A Peace Corps volunteer teaching secondary school students English.

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By Sheila Rule New York Times Service

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They include a ONDON - A drawing by Leonardo da Vinci, damaged last year when a vandal fixed a shotgun at it from a distance of about seven feet, has largely been restored year-old drawing. "The Virgin and through an elaborate process in Child with St. Anne and St. John



Detail of the damaged Leonardo Cartoon now being restored.

which dozens of tiny fragments of the Baptist," is to be returned to pinkish brown color and the drawpaper were glued back together one public display at the National Gal-

The restoration, which began in January, is expected to be com ed in several months and the 500-

ry here next spring. The value of the sketch, also known as the Leonardo Cartoon, has been placed by some experts at more than \$35 million. It is believed to have been drawn by Leonardo in the mid-1490s for a painting that was never executed.

The cartoon was damaged in July 1987 by a man who carried a shotgun concealed under his coat. The man, Robert Cambridge, told the police his intent had been to show his disgust with "political, social and economic conditions in Britain." Cambridge is now in an institution for the criminally ill.

The pellets did not penetrate the cartoon, but the blast pulverized a section of protective laminated glass, tearing a hole about six inches in diameter on the Virgin's robe. Martin Wyld, the gallery's chief restorer, said that, as a result of the

restoration work, only about one square centimeter of the drawing hich is nearly 5 feet high by 3.5 feet wide (about 150 by 107 centimeters), had been lost. Wyld said glass fragments and loose bits of paper had had to be removed from the surface of the cartoon, which consists of eight sheets of linen rag paper pasted together in overlap-ping joints. The paper is coated in a plan.

ing itself is in charcoal heightened tions because they fell off when the h white chalk. "Some of the fragments were

only being held on by dust," Wyld said. "They had to be removed to get the powdered glass from underneath. We picked up other loose bits of paper which had become detached, took out the largest fragments of broken glass that were trapped in partly loosened cartoon paper and spent some months talkabout how to restore it."

Eric Harding, the senior paper conservator at the British Muse was brought in to repair the damage. To better understand how the Leonardo was damaged, restorers constructed a small model covered it with some of the laminated glass that had protected the cartoon, and the police fired at the model with a sawed-off shotgun from a similar distance and angle.

"Eric has been replacing 60-odd fragments of paper," Wyld said,
"some of which were one-half inch long and some that were down to an eighth of an inch. He's been gluing them one by one. He had to make an elaborate man before removing loose fragments. The fragments were photographed and each was put into its own box labeled with its location on the master

glass hit the cartoon. But every scrap of cartoon we could find has been put back. The principle is that every scrap of the original is used and no restoration goes over any original cartoon fragments.

Harding, working with a magnifying glass and surgical instruments, is now re-establishing the texture of the drawing's surface by filling in the gaps where paper is ng with paper fiber pulp and retouching them with charcoal and white chalk, Leonardo's original materials.

The cartoon was bought by the National Gallery in 1962 from the Royal Academy after a nationwide appeal. It was vandalized that same year when a man threw a bottle of ink at it. The bottle did not break and no ink was spilled, but slight damage, repaired in a few hours, included scratches and a small cut.

Wyld said the cartoon had been in poor condition for as long as 300 years, partly because the glue originally used to mount it on canvas had increased the level of acidity and made the paper more brittle.

That was bad for the cartoon in

one way," Wyld said, "but in another way being stuck on canvas has protected it from crumbling

to mark him out as a natural Strindbergian

This David Leveaux staging started out

with Anton Rodgers in the title role, but due

to rehearsal differences now stars Alun Arm-

strong as the captain driven to madness and

a straitjacket by doubts over the true parent-

age of his child. Susan Fleetwood in wonder-

fully glacial form plays the wife who is the

In a very strong studio setting by Annie Smart, "The Father" is played for two hours

without a break as an intense chamber piece

about the overthrowing of a man and a mind

through sexual and social doubt. What Os-

borne has superlatively realized is that it is a

play entirely driven by its own internal an-

ger, a kind of greasepainted rage that this superb new translation sustains with night-

Strindberg saw the script as a staging-post

on the road to suicide, a shadow-play that

would only work if tackled with extreme

authoress of all his woes.



In "Waiting for Godot": from left, F. Murray Abraham, Robin Williams, Steve Martin and Bill Irwin.

Too Much Humor for 'Godot'?

By David Richards Washington Post Service

N EW YORK — Samuel Beckett's "Waiting for Godot" has such a towering reputation for metaphysical bleakness that one can easily forget how ramnunctiously funny the work is as it goes about painting its characters into a forgotten corner of the cosmos.

Put Robin Williams and Steve Martin in the lead roles, however, and you have the opposite problem. In the eruption of antics by two of the United States's most popular (and idiosyncratic) comics, it is entirely possiole to overlook the metaphysical bleaknes

Few, if any, productions of Beckett's plays have boasted such a concentration of star power. F. Murray Abraham and Bill Irwin are playing supporting roles, and the director is Mike Nichols.

Williams and Martin are Estragon and Vladimir, those baggy-pants tramps, waiting on a parched strand of earth for something or someone to turn up and give meaning to their tumbledown lives. But there is no forgetting who they really are. What we're looking for — and responding to — are those mo-ments when comic invention gets the best of them and they can't help behaving according to form.

Martin takes a wryer, slightly loftier view of matters than does Williams, whose thought patterns resemble the flight of a drunken bumblebee. Both, though, are zanies, happy madmen in the asylum of life, living testimony to the resourcefulness of the human imagination. In that sense, they fit right into "Godot."

If Beckett's universe is as empty as a tin drum, his play also celebrates man's topsy-turvy attempts to fill up that emptiness and stave off despair, even if it is only by merrily eating a radish or cracking a rotten joke. "We always find something to give us the impres-

sion we exist," exults Estragon. all cooking up distractions. Such is their forte. Tony deprived of his toys and sent to bed. Walton's set is an ecological nightmare, strewn with detritus, but it might as well be a playpen for the two that life is absurd. Williams and Martin seemingly stars. A discarded automobile muffler becomes, in Williams's hands, a machine gun, which prompts him they have even made their respective fortunes from it. to carry on like John Wayne in a World War II movie. What you don't get from either is the primal fear that

bleached jawbone of a small animal protruding from the dirt, Williams spots a potential puppet, which he proceeds to make talk in a high-pitched voice.

Martin is not so hyperactive. He's more the odd dreamer, the quizzical intellectual with asterisks in his eyes. But that's appropriate, too. (Vladimir is, after all, the brainier of the pair.) If Williams is always bursting with things to do, Martin is forever mulling things over. Even when the darkness falls, the silence grows deafening, and Godot's appearance is postponed for yet another day, you get the impression that Martin finds it all pretty darn interesting.

in fact, boredom strikes this couple only when Pozzo (Abraham) and Lucky (Irwin) straggle through on their urgent mission to nowhere. Pozzo, delighted to show off his servant, commands him to "think," and Lucky obliges by spewing forth a torrent of nonsense. The gibberish goes on for so long that Martin and Williams lose interest, and then patience. For want of something better to do, they collapse in the aisles of the theater and page through Playbills, all the while emitting increasingly audible yawns. The yawns turn to anger. Soon all four are rolling in the sand.

You can't say such shenanigans are misplaced. And they are certainly diverting. "That passed the time," crows Vladimir at one point. In "Waiting for Godot," however, time is endless and human ingenuity is finite. Sooner or later, Beckett's tramps run out of ideas and come smack up against their wretchedness.

But that awareness is not so tellingly delineated in this production at the Mitzi E. Newhouse Theatre, which has a tendency to go flat if it is not expending great amounts of manic energy. In stillness, Martin simply switches off — the tonelessness of his line readings implying a personal disinterest more than hopelessness. Williams, closer to the mark, reverts to a As for Martin and Williams, they have no trouble at . kind of whimpering petulance, like a child suddenly

In "Godot," it is dawning on Estragon and Vladimir have come to terms with such a truth; as performers, An old automobile tire serves him handily as a paralyzes Beckett's creatures or the awful loneliness reclining chair. And where others would see only a that wells up in their souls.

Alec Guinness Shines in 'A Walk in the Woods'

By Sheridan Morley

ional Herald Tribus Ti ONDON - In the cultural and intellectual desert that has been this last year on Broadway, Lee Blessing's "A Walk in the Woods" shone out like a neon-lit oasis. Here was a play that had the courage to form itself into a two-man duologue, and to tackie ab-

THE LONDON STAGE

stract notions about the nature of peace, notions that most producers other than the great and good off-Broadway pioneer Lucille Lortel would have at least tried setting to

Now the play comes to the Comedy The atre in London with a new cast of Alec Guinness (in his first West End appearance for a decade) and the archetypal man in the gray-flannel suit, Edward Herrmann,

Although it is true that there have been certain losses in the Atlantic crossing, there have also been considerable gains. On one level, this is a play that belongs in that grouping of "The Odd Couple" and "I'm Not Rappaport" and "Driving Miss Daisy," Broadway hits in which two people of apparently irreconcilable backgrounds and attitudes are brought toward a kind of understanding of each other in the name of

But Blessing wants us to understand some- forever doomed to make recommendations rage and marital loathing has always seemed thing more than that: In a wry, subtle, laconic duologue, he wants to make the point that negotiations are in the end only about negotiators, and that the life or death of the planet is in the end simply the life or death of

the people who inhabit it.

If you have forgotten what the theater of civilized debate was once all about, if you have not lately come across a script in which the ideas mattered more than the plot or the characterization, then "A Walk in the Woods" is the play to remind you of what we

have lost. Not that Guinness is exactly self-effacing. In the role of the veteran Soviet negotiator, strolling through the Geneva woods with his American opposite number to test out the possibilities of arms reductions, he may well lack all the Russian bear-like qualities of Robert Prosky, who originated the role in New York, but he brings instead a kind of

Guinness is the only actor I know who, while talking about walking on eggshells, can also show you what it is like to walk on eggshells. His performance is a sort of summary of Soviet cunning over the years, brought up sharply against the idealist inno-

cence of Herrmann's not-so-ugly American. Ronald Eyre's production has the courage of its own inactivity, so we appear at times to be watching a radio play. But as the men

rather than decisions, the men who know from the outset they are only as good as the next election campaign, Guinness and Herrmann achieve a masterly balance.

One of the curious virtues of Blessing's script is that, although written pre-glasnost, and therefore already technically out of date, it achieves a kind of timelessness by insisting on the petulant bickering of its participants Lines like "If mankind really hated war there would be millions of us and two soldiers," or "History is only geography over time," sug-gest a weird mix of George Bernard Shaw and Henry Kissinger.

The play gradually acquires a life of its own, so that by the end we desperately and futilely want a treaty to be signed, not so much for the sake of the world as for that of its two signatories, men we urgently want to end their lives and careers with some sort of sense of achievement and satisfaction.

What we are left with, of course, since Blessing is nothing if not a realist, is a couple of men paid to say no and look good while doing it amid the endless neutrality of Swiss

On the Cottesloe stage of the National, a new production of Strindberg's "The Fa-

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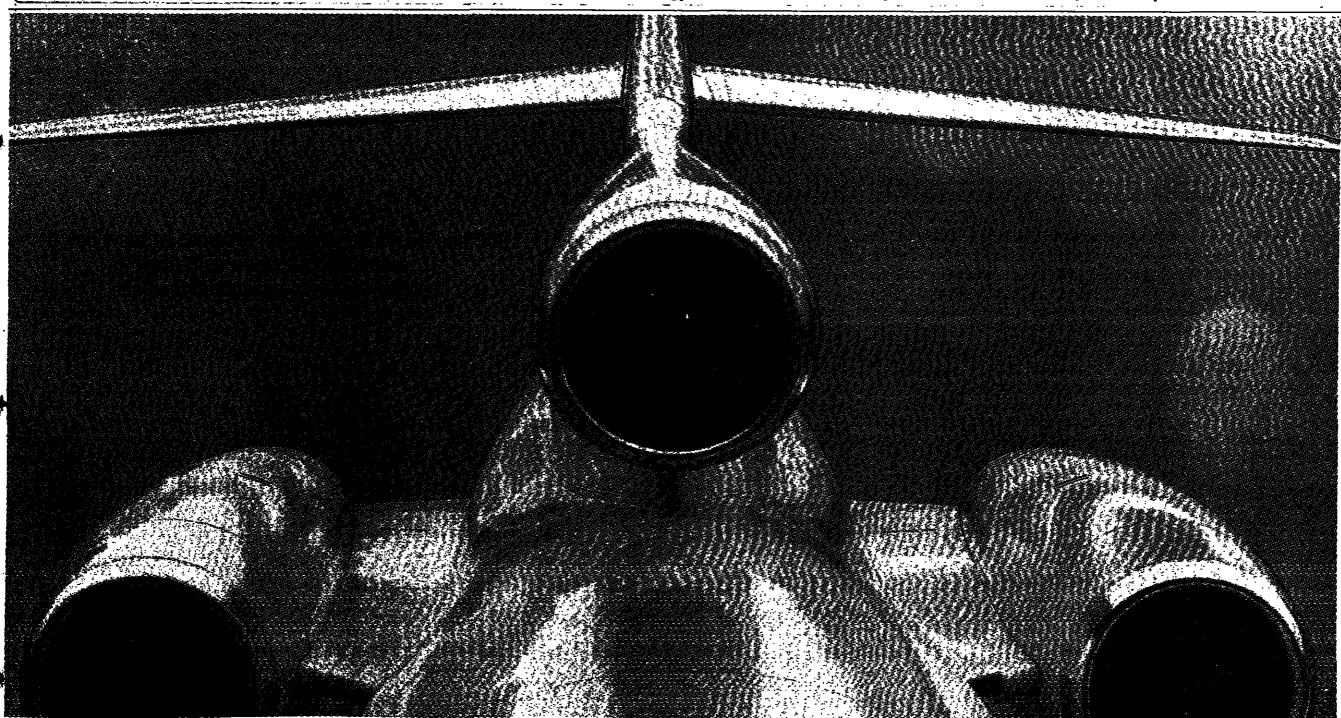
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subtlety, and there are moments here when Armstrong, writhing around in a cage full of female tigers, seems dangerously close to the kind of Victorian melodrama that its author

most feared. But Osborne's timeless horror of rampant women pulls him back time and again from that brink, and the result is a period "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf" of dazzling power.

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NEW YORK — Stock prices closed slightly bigher Tuesday in moderate trading on the New York Stock Exchange, as the market anticipation of the Vew York Stock Exchange, as the market anticipation of a victory by Vice President George Bush in the U.S. presidential election but remained concerned over the economy.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell

21.16 points Monday, rose 2.85 to close at 2,127.49.

Advances led declines by about an 8-5 margin. Volume on the Big Board totaled about 141.7 million shares, compared with 133.9 mil-

ion shares traded Monday,
"The market was down Friday and Monday
because it was joited by the October unemployment report," said Monte Gordon, research
director of Dreyfus Corp. "What we have here
is a rebound from this."

Mr. Gordon said the stronger-than-expected
report released Friday showed the U.S. corp.

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my was growing at a faster rate than was previously thought, which raised fears of inflation and higher interest rates.

"The market has already discounted most of its jitters about the election," said Gail Dudack,

a market analyst with S.G. Warburg. Some polls released over the weekend suggested that the Democratic candidate, Governor Michael S. Dukakis, was gaining on Mr. Bush.

"Friday and Monday we were anticipating a

sell-off following the election," said Ms. Du-dack, but now there are signs of "making that back up."

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the next couple of months because a Republi-can victory would basically mean a continua-tion of policies set under the current adminis-

tration. "The market could give up politics and con-centrate on economics and other key issues," Ms. Dudack said, pointing to the dollar, infla-tion and interest rates.

However, she added, a Democratic victory would put heavy pressure on the market "be-cause less is known about what Dukakis's ad-ministration would look like and the market doesn't like the unknown.

Broad-market indexes also advanced. The New York Stock Exchange index rose 0.56 point to 154.84. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 1.22 to 275.15. The price of an average share gained 11 cents.

Houston Industries was the most active issue on the NYSE, unchanged at 29%. The company goes ex-dividend Wednesday.

Philadelphia Electric, which also goes ex-dividend Wednesday, followed, unchanged at 20%. Gulf States Utilities was third, up % to 8%. IBM was up % to 119%. AT&T was up % to

Among blue-chip stocks, American Express was up % to 27%, Philip Morris was off % to 94, Chevron was up % to 45%, Scars was off 1% to 42% and Union Carbide was up % to 27% amid estructuring and takeover rumors.

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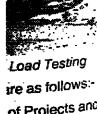
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Chrysler Selects a Guru **To Divine Market Trends**

By RANDALL ROTHENBERG New York Times Service

EW YORK - In one of the more unusual developments in the recent history of relationships between ad agencies and their clients, Laurel Cutler, the vice chairwoman of FCB Leber Katz Partners, has been named vice president for consumer affairs of the Chrysler Motors Corp. Ms. Cutler, 61, is also her agency's director of marketing planning. She will keep her titles and responsibilities at Leber Kaiz while serving as Chrysler's in-house consumer futurist, a irole for which she is already well known in advertising.

She will be Chrysler's leading analyst of consumer expectations, and will be responsible for keeping the company's central management 'aware of con-

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sumer perceptions about the company and its cars. "Although it looks a little wild on the surface, it's an entirely sensible arrange-ment," Ms. Cutler said. She created Leber Katz's market-

ing-planning department with the agency's chairman, Stan-ley Katz, 16 years ago. Her and desires. appointment by Chrysler is an indication of the American auto-mobile industry's awareness that it has been losing touch with buyers' needs and desires in the development of new products

and marketing strategies.
In May, General Motors appointed Shirley Young, the president of Grey Strategic Marketing and Grey Advertising's long-time consumer-trend gurn, as vice president for consumer market development. Ms. Young became the chairwoman of the the

The automakers are just looking for more consumer expertise," said Maryann Keller, an automobile industry analyst with Furman Selz Mager Dietz & Birney. "Everyone's looking for some competitive advantage."

-Chrysler credits Ms. Cutler with developing the company's brand-management system.

HE HERSELF said that "car brands used to be the strongest brands there were — a two-year-old boy could recognize any car and tell you what it stood for. But because every car brand became its own auto division, what they stood for became indistinct." Chrysler's brand-management system, she said, is a step toward correcting that situation by emphasizing the integrity of each of the company's model lines.

The French Food and Wine Society, a trade group also known as Sopexa, has started an American advertising campaign on cable television promoting its "affordable" line of wines.

A total of 33 wines from 11 importers affiliated with its "food and wine from France" division will be featured. The creator of the \$3 million campaign for the French is Lois Pitts Gershon Pon. The agency has put together 11 spots that form a veritable Art 101 college course. Each of the 30-second spots features a work by a painter like Degas, Manet, Renoir, Seurat or Rousseau. The

theme line, recited to a clink of glasses, is, "French wine is French

SEAT, the biggest Spanish carmaker, which was bought by Volkswagen two years ago, has chosen Tapsa Ayer, the Madrid arm of N.W. Ayer, to become its European agency. The annual budget is \$90 million, which will more than double Ayer's billings from last

year and make it the largest agency in Spain, up from No. 6, an agency spokeswoman said. SEAT's former agency was TBWA.

Tapsa Ayer, which formerly handled only SEAT's Spanish advertising faces conflicts now that it is expanding its reach throughout the continent. N.W. Ayer offices in Europe also handle Renault cars in Italy and Toyota in France.

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Belgian Shuffle **Begins**

Générale to Aid Two Ailing Units

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BRUSSELS — Société Générale de Belgique SA, beginning a re-structuring after a prolonged take-over battle, announced Tuesday that it plans to rescue two partially owned subsidiaries, the arms maker Fabrique Nationale Herstal SA and Gechem SA, a chemicals con-

Separately, Société Générale said it had bought a stake of about 40 percent in Vieille-Montagne SA, giving the conglomerate a total of 90 percent of the stock in one of the world's biggest zinc mining compa-

nies.
Generale, the largest company in
Belgium, said Fabrique Nationale
and Gechem would totally exhaust their resources by the end of the year if "decisive" measures were not taken.

"In spite of the difficulty of the implementation of the operation and its inevitable cost to the shareolders of FN and Gechem," Société Genéralé said in a statement, "Société Générale de Belgique has in its role as principal shareholder of these companies taken the re-sponsibility for this initiative, which is an essential element in the survival and later development of the companies when they have been restructured."

Societé Générale owns 52 per-cent of Gechem and 51 percent of

Fabrique Nationale.

The moves by the Belgian concern came in the wake of an unsuccessful takeover attempt earlier this ear by the Italian financier Carlo de Benedetti, which led to a profound shakeup in the company and had been expected to result in serious repercussions for at least some of the group's weaker units.
In the Vielle-Montagne transac-

tion, Société Générale bought 320,000 shares from Flin SA, a Luxembourg-based investor group, for 3.8 billion Belgian francs (\$101.5 million). Société Générale already owned 50 percent of the mining company through a subsid-iary, Union Minière SA.

Société Générale added that it would offer an identical price -12,000 francs a share - to members of the public holding the remaining shares, roughly equivalent to 10 percent of the capital.

Visible-Montagne is recovering from a prolonged downtum in the zinc market. In 1987, it had a loss of more than 3 billion francs, but this turned around to a profit of more than I billion francs in the first half of 1988 as the world price for zinc stabilized and Vieille-Montagne cut costs.

Flin, which had a blocking minority, last year opposed an at-tempt by Vieille-Montagne to increase its capital.

RJR Nabisco Stakes Likely To Escalate

NEW YORK -- The bidding contest for RJR Nabisco Inc. could escalate beyond \$23 billion, amid expectations that new buyers will emerge for the food and tobacco company's brand name products, analysts said Tuesday.

RJR Nabisco has issued a bid

ding process for its current bidders and any other possible buyers.

The special committee of RJR Nabisco's board also said it would

consider selling the food business itself and that it would entertain bids for the tobacco company sepa RJR Nabisco's board said that to

sure a single round of bidding for the company, any bids submitted by would-be acquirers should be their best and final offers. "Any proposal should reflect the

potential purchaser's highest of-fer," said a document outlining the rules and procedures for acquisition of the giant concern

These are wonderful brands, John McMillan, food industry analyst at Prudential-Bache Securities said of RJR Nabisco's products. "There's going to be aggressive bidding. Basically, there's going to be a line at the door," he added. "Everyone in the food industry is looking at this deal now." Arbitragers and analysts said the dding could easily be in the mid \$90s to \$100 per share range, or up to as much as \$23 billion. Its stock rose 37.5 cents to \$87.75 a share on the New York Stock Exchange on

Tuesday. RJR Nabisco currently faces a \$20.9 billion, \$92-a-share bid from a group led by its senior management and a \$20.3 billion, \$90-ashare offer from the leading Wall Street buyout firm, Kohlberg, Kravis, Roberts & Co.

A group led by Forstmann Little & Co., another major buyout group, that includes several major consumer-products companies, has

said it may top those bids.
"If you're breaking every up, it could go for \$100 to \$105 per share, said Joseph Frazzano o

Hard-Pressed Journal Presses On

Investor's Daily Is Still Struggling 5 Years After Birth

By Andrea Adelson New York Times Service
LOS ANGELES — Almost five years after starting a national financial newspaper, the owner of Investor's Daily is sobered

by the experience. "We were a little naive about putting out a paper," said William J. O'Neil, who created a U.S. publication filled with charts and statistics that was meant to capitalize on his 30 years of research on the stock market and the economy.

His goal for the Los Angelesbased paper was 75,000 daily subscribers in the first year and profitability in the second. Inves-tor's Daily did reach its circula-tion goal, albeit more slowly

Circulation in the six months ending last Sept. 30 was 110,000 a day, up from 20,000 at the beginning of April 1984. But it will take at least two years and 90,000 more readers for the paper to become profitable, Mr. O'Neil said.

Now, as Investor's Daily continues to struggle for recognition among readers and advertisers, it is facing a new challenge, one that it may unwittingly have helped shape.

When The Wall Street Journal, the nation's largest financial newspaper, recently revised its format and added a third section, some analysts said the move was a grudging nod of respect for Investor's Daily from its primary rival. The Journal's "Money and Investing" section includes more charts and graphs, and its stock and bond tables now use bold type or underlining to highlight issues with extraordinary price

Edward J. Atorino, a newspaper-industry analyst at Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. in New York, said the changes are modeled after the format of the Journal's competitor.

"Clearly, that third section is aimed at Investor's Daily," he Charles N. Stabler, a spokes-

man for Dow Jones & Co., which publishes the Journal, disagreed. "These were things we did because we thought they made sense," Mr. Stabler said. "It wasn't in response to Investor's



William J. O'Neil: His Investor's Daily remains unprofitable.

Other large U.S. publications, including The New York Times and USA Today, have also significantly increased the staff and

space devoted to financial news. Despite the increasing competition, Mr. O'Neil said Investor's Daily, which sells for 50 ceats a copy in most areas, will gain in credibility because of what he sees as the Journal's imitation of his paper. He dismissed suggestions that the Journal's third section would hurt his newspaper.

Given the difficulties Investor's Daily has faced, it helps that Mr. O'Neil is wealthy. Former employees estimate that the newspaper is absorbing losses of \$500,000 to \$1 million a month. The paper is privately owned, and Mr. O'Neil declined to disclose revenues or losses.

A self-taught financial analyst and adviser, Mr. O'Neil is estimated to be worth about \$100 million. He earned his fortune on the stock market, learning business and economic trends while

building computer programs to

track 7,500 companies. William O'Neil & Co., a corporation separate from Investor's Daily, sells its research and charts to institutional investors.

To some extent, the paper also relies on Mr. O'Neil research offering brokers, professional money managers and personal investors statistical data that are unavailable elsewhere. The trademark of Investor's

Daily's is its abundance of graphics depicting price and vol-ume performance of top stock The front page of the paper includes articles that fall into five

categories: the top story, the economy, business, leaders and success, and the investor's corner. The pieces are usually written in a dry, straightforward

The remaining articles in the paper are short news items, many of them written by wire

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Drexel Is Said To Try to Hire **Howard Baker**

for creative tasks.

By Steve Coll and David A. Vise

NEW YORK - Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., the investment house that is facing civil fraud charges, has been negotiating to hire Howard H. Baker Jr., former White House chief of staff, as its chairman, a move some of Drexel's officers see as a way of avoiding

criminal charges, sources said. Drexel and Mr. Baker declined to comment directly on the status of their discussions. Drexel, however, issued a statement on Monday acknowledging that it has been working with Mr. Baker and his Tennessee law firm "on matters relating to internal corporate governance and which are unrelated to either the ongoing investigation by the U.S. attorney or any Washington matters."

The Drexel statement also said it would be "entirely inappropriate to comment or speculate on any subiect which is under review or dison" between the company and Mr. Baker and his law firm.

Mr. Baker, reached Monday night at his home in Huntsville. Tennessee, would not comment on the situation, The Associated Press reported. "I can't give you anything

on that now," he said. Mr. Baker is said to have little experience in finance, but sources said that if he joined Drexel, the deal-making would likely be left to Fred Joseph, the firm's chief executive. Mr. Baker would review orga-

nizational and policy matters. Drexel's current chairman, Robert E. Linton, would have retired at least a year ago if it were not for Drexel's legal troubles, sources said, Mr. Linton has little direct involvement in Drexel's day-to-day operations, which are supervised by Mr. Joseph.

Senior Drexel executives recently have discussed the possibility of Mr. Baker becoming chairman as part of internal talks about how the firm might avoid criminal securities fraud charges. Some of them hope the arrival of the respected Mr. Baker would persuade Ru-

New York, not to name the firm in an expected racketeering indictment, sources said.

Some people familiar with Mr. Baker's negotiations with Drexel played down a link between those talks and the possibility of a future settlement with federal prosecutors, but others noted that Mr. Baker and Mr. Ginliani are no strangers. When he was White House chief of staff, Mr. Baker called Mr. Giuliani to Washington in 1987 and offered him the chairma of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Mr. Giuliani declined the offer, and the job later went to

David S. Ruder. In recent weeks, Drexel's lawyers have been trying to persuade Justice Department officials in Washington that racketeering charges against the firm would be unjusti-fied. If Drexel fails in the Washington talks to head off an indictment, as expected, the firm would then negotiate with Mr. Giuliani,

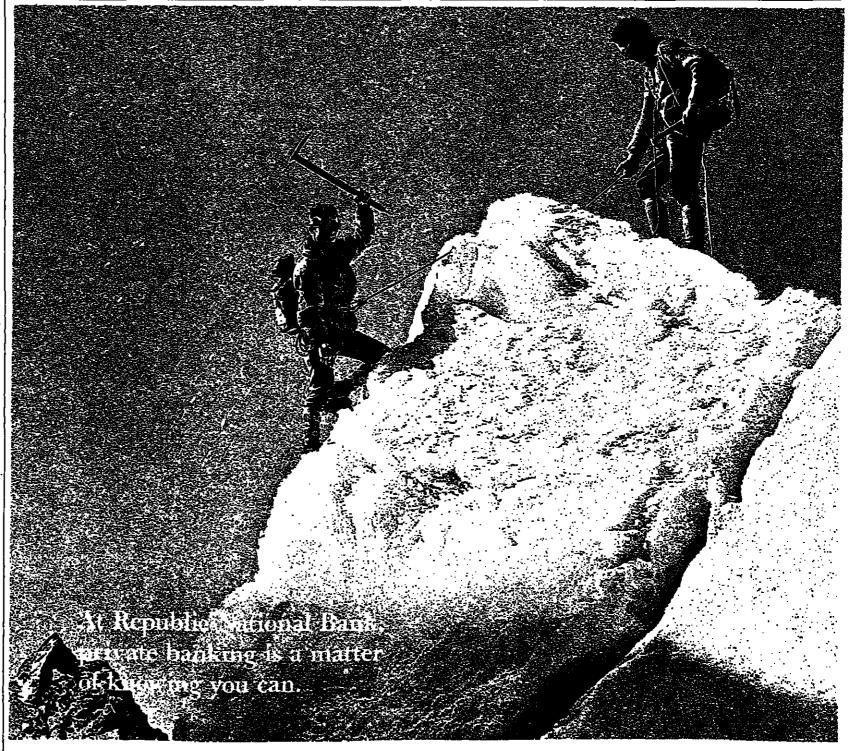
sources familiar with the case said.

If Mr. Baker agreed to join
Drexel, the firm would be well positioned for those negotiations. In an earlier and similar case involving a major Wall Street firm, Mr. Giuliani's office decided not to file criminal charges against Kidder, Peabody & Co. when the firm voluntarily brought in a new chief executive and allowed other executives to resign. Kidder also paid \$25 million to settle the civil charges.

A deal might also involve the departure, at least temporarily, of Michael Milken, who runs Drexel's high-yield, or junk, bond opera-tions. Mr. Milken, along with the firm, was accused by the SEC of insider trading, market manipulation and a host of other securities law violations in a civil complaint filed Sept. 7 in federal district court in New York. Drexel has repeated-

ly denied any wrongdoing.

Mr. Baker succeeded Donald T. Regan as President Ronald Reagan's chief of staff in February 1987 in the midst of the Iran-Contra scandal, and was credited with restoring stability to White House operations. He resigned on July 1 in what he said was an effort to dolph W. Giuliani, the U.S. attor- spend more time in Tennessee with ney for the Southern District of his wife, who is ill.



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Hanson Units Sell For \$60 Million

NEW YORK - Hanson Industries, the U.S. arm of Hanson PLC, said Tuesday that an affiliate had sold its Allied/Egry and Walton Printing Co. business-forms operations for \$51 million cash plus \$5 million assumption of debt.

The buyer is Allied Acquisitions Inc., an affiliate of the Helson Associates investor group. Walton and Allied/Egry came within the Hanson fold as part of the aggressive British conglomerate's 1986 takeover of SCM Corp.

Hanson also said Tuesday that it had sold General Paint of Mexico Inc. to a subsidiary of Akzo NV of the Netherlands for \$4.2 million. Together, the disposals announced Tuesday bring to \$1.3 billion the proceeds Hanson has realized from sales of SCM businesses.

Court Backs Hubert Burda

OFFENBURG, West Germany — A West German court ruled Tuesday that the publisher Hubert Burda had right of first refusal on a block of shares in Axel Springer Verlag AG that his two brothers

previously sold to a third party.

In April, Franz and Frieder Burda sold their 26.1 percent stake to the heirs of the late Axel Springer, who founded one of Europe's largest media conglomerates. The stake was sold for a reported 530 million Deutsche marks (\$297 million).

The Springers, whose company publishes the tabloid Bild-Zeitung

conservative newspaper Die Welt, already held 25.1 percent before buying the Burda stake. The sale of the Burda shares to the Springer family foiled an attempt by the Munich film distributor Leo Kirch to take control of the Springer group of publications and broadcast stations.

The Burda family bought a 25.9 percent stake in Springer in 1983, and Franz and Frieder Burda raised it to 26.1 percent in 1987.

The brothers inherited the Springer stake in December 1986, when the Burda group was divided among them after their father's death. Hubert Burda received the publishing activities, mainly weekly magazines, and his brothers got the industrial printing works and industrial holdings. The brothers had agreed to give each other first

refusal on the sale of any assets.

Rising U.S. Auto Prices Could Resharpen the Asian Edge

By Leslie Eringaard

Los Angeles Times Service
DETROIT — The Big Three U.S., automakers have raised 1989 model car prices on average more than their Asian competitors, and auto industry analysts warned that by doing so they have lost a chance to increase their shares of the market.

Despite the increased value of the Japanese yen against the dollar, Japanese auto fall, the analysts agreed.

The analysts also note that this is the first model year since the yen began strengthening in 1985 that the U.S. auto manufacturers

percent, Mr. Cedergren said.

GM has announced that it have raised their prices by more than their prices an average of 2.9 percent for the 1989 and materials costs.

Meanwhile, he said, Asian auto manufacmanufacturers are doing a better job of absorbing costs and holding down prices this companies, have raised their prices an average of 2.4 percent. European auto manufac-turers raised their prices an average of 3.2

official figures showing industrywide averages for this fall's price increases by the imports and domestics. But Chris Cedergran, an analyst with J.D. Power & Associates, a California-based research firm, estimated that for the 1989 model year, General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. raised their prices by an average of 2.6 percent.

Meanwhile, he said, Asian auto manufactory of the said, Asian auto manufactory of the said and 2.6 percent for its upscale Acura division sutomobiles. Nispercent and that some prices actually fell during the model year as a result of promotional campaigns.

Still, the American price increases this fall were not dramatic by historic standards. In addition, the domestic companies are accurate in saying that the increases followed to \$10.943, while the price of its Lincoln Continental was increased 5 percent.

The domestic auto manufacturers said their recent price moves were reasonable in light of the fact that this year's increases follow several years of restraint. They said GM has announced that it is raising its they needed to adjust to rapidly rising labor

foreign competitors.

The Asian automakers as a group raised their prices less than the domestics as a group," said Maryann N. Keller, an automakers have not released any prices an average of 2.9 percent for the 1989 and materials costs.

"Chrysler's pricing strategy was to hold the line for three years," said Tony Carvone, a company spokesman, "With costs going up, we can't keep holding the line on prices." Toyota, by contrast, reported that its 1989 prices have been boosted by an average of 2.9 percent.

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Continental was increased 5 percent, to lagged those of the Japanese.

Indeed, most Japanese cars now cost substantially more than comparable U.S. models. Since 1985, the Japanese carmakers have raised prices by an average of nearly 30 percent, while the U.S. companies have raised prices just 10 percent to 12 percent, according to David Healy, an automotive analyst with Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. Ford defended this fall's increases by say-

ing that its price boosts in recent years have lagged well behind those of the Japanese.
Such price gaps have helped Detroit retake some market share from the imports over the

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After Record Year, Australia Banks Will Share the Wealth

MELBOURNE - Australia's three major commercial banks are expected to post record profits for the year ended Sept. 30 and reward their stockholders with dramatically higher div-

idends when they report earnings this month.

In addition to raising dividends, analysis predicted, bankers would offer one-time payouts to capitalize on corporate tax cuts and strong profit margins.

While Australians will benefit most from the net dividends, overseas stockholders will gain from special dividends paid in stock.

Westpac Banking Corp., National Australia Bank Ltd. and Australia & New Zealand Banking Group Ltd. have already enjoyed record profits for the first six months of the year.

"They will all turn in a record" for the full year, said Craig Drummond, an analyst at J.B.
Were & Son. "No doubt there will be another record next year because of the lower tax regime in Australia and New Zealand."

Andrew Turner, an analyst at CL-May Mel-lor Laing & Cruickshank Ltd., forecast a net profit of 525.1 million Australian dollars (\$435.2 million) for National Australia in 1987-88, up 60 percent from 328 million in 1986-87. The bank's profit should rise to 720.5 million dollars in 1988-89, he said.

Other analysts said they expected National Australia to perform even better in 1987-88. The lowest estimate for its profit was 518 mil-

For ANZ, Mr. Turner expects 1987-88 net of 477.2 million dollars, up 23.9 percent from 385.1 million. The figure should rise to 632 million in 1988-89, he said

Westpac should report 611.1 million dollars profit, up 49.3 percent from 409.2 million last year, Mr. Turner. The figure, he said, would rise to 811.7 million in 1988-89.

National Australia is to report on Thursday, Vestpac on Nov. 17 and ANZ on Nov. 25. National Australia, traditionally the market favorite because of its low-cost structure, is the least exposed of the three banks to Third World debt. It sold the bulk of its less-developed country debt early this year.

National Australia is the only one of the three banks with taxation approval to issue dividends in the form of stock.

Analysts said dividends in the form of stock would help banks top up stockholders' funds, already boosted by rights issues this year, to help meet capital adequacy guidelines.

Wilson Lee of A.C. Goode & Co., a brokerage owned by National Australia, expects the bank to offer 15 cents cash and an 18-cent special stock dividend. Last year's final dividend, by comparison, was 12.5 cents.

ANZ and Westpac are expected to offer comparable special dividends, with ANZ's around 25 cents, but payment may be delayed

pending tax approval, analysts said. ANZ has been troubled in the past by a substantial LDC debt exposure and loans to entrepreneurial companies. But Mr. Lee said he expected the bank to raise profit 30 percent, to 500 million dollars, in 1987-88, Mr. Drummond of J.B. Were said he expected 480 million.

Westpac will gain from margin growth and from having taken 100 percent control of Australian Guarantee Corp., although AGC's 112.6 million dollar profit for the year ended Sept. 30 was 10 million below forecasts. Mr. Lee said he expected 660 million in net profit for Westpac and Mr. Drummond forecast 600 million.

Negative factors for the banks include expoure to the recession in New Zealand. ANZ derives 18 percent of earnings from New Zealand, Westpac 13.2 percent and National Aus-

DAILY: Still Struggling

(Continued from first finance page) services. The paper has an editorial

Mr. O'Neil said the paper needs to double its circulation and its advertising linage, which now to-tals about 6.5 pages an issue, to

become profitable. While most other large U.S. publications have experienced declines in advertising revenue this year, Mr. O'Neil said ad sales at Investor's Daily have risen 6 percent since the first quarter.

He attributed the gain to favorable market research studies completed in March that made the paper more attractive to advertisers. The studies showed the paper is read by wealthy, well-educated professionals whose household in-comes average \$195,000 a year. The average reader's net worth is \$1.4 million, and 61 percent of the readers described themselves as members of top management.

Nevertheless, some analysts said the paper's growth potential is lim-

"Investor's Daily is a niche prop-erty for those who are interested in technical factors," said J. Kendrick Noble, an analyst at Paine Webber

He and Mr. Atorino also questioned Mr. O'Neil's statement that the paper has strong advertising sales. They said they suspected it has suffered from sluggish advertising and a shrinking audience since the stock market collapse last year. Despite their doubts, the Audit Bureau of Circulations reported in March that the newspaper's circulation was 48 percent higher than it

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CALGARY, Alberta -Mobil Oil Canada, a unit of Mobil Corp., said Tuesday it would reconsider its 5.2 billion dollar (\$4.2 billion) Hibernia oil project off Newfoundland if the outlook for oil prices remained gloomy or Canada interfered in markets.

Canada has agreed to provide 3.2 billion dollars in financing for the project, but the chairman of Mobil Oil Canada, Arne Nielsen, said the prospects for success are

marginal.

Mr. Nielsen added that failure by Canada to approve the proposed free-trade agreement could prove devastating. "Our deal with the government says the Hibernia part-

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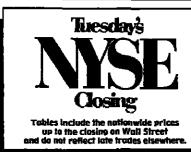
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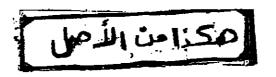
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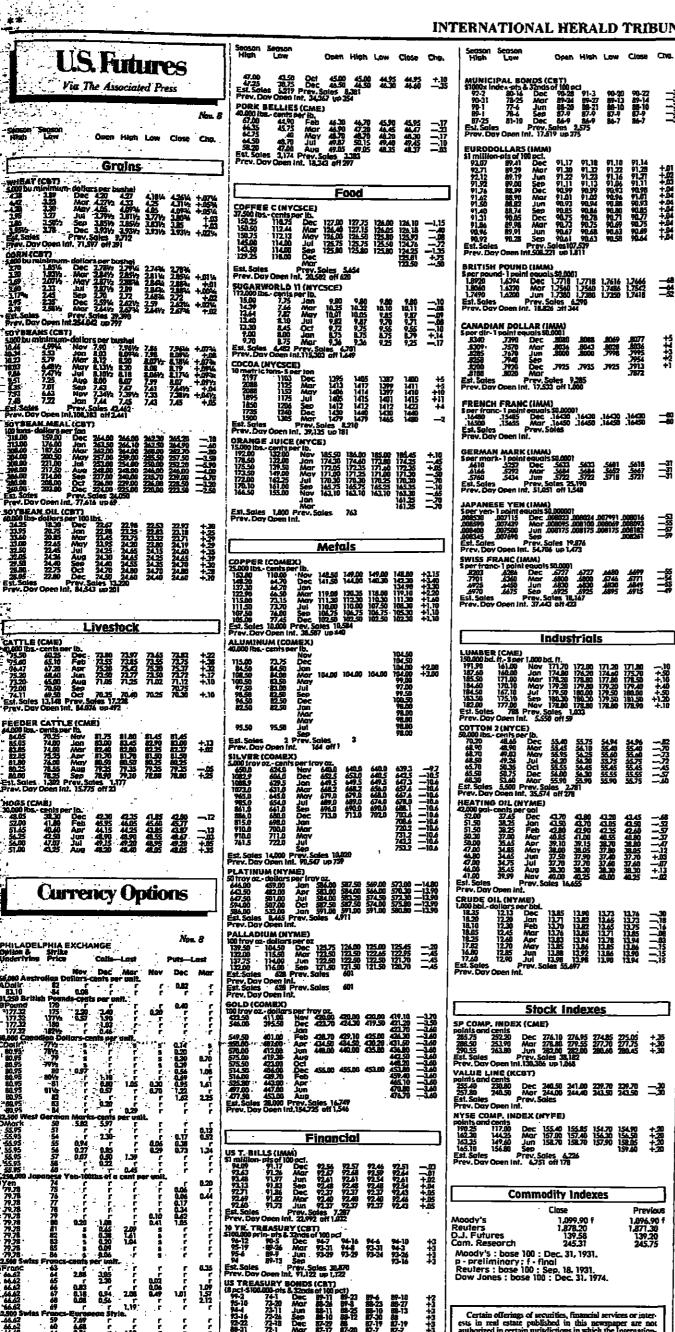
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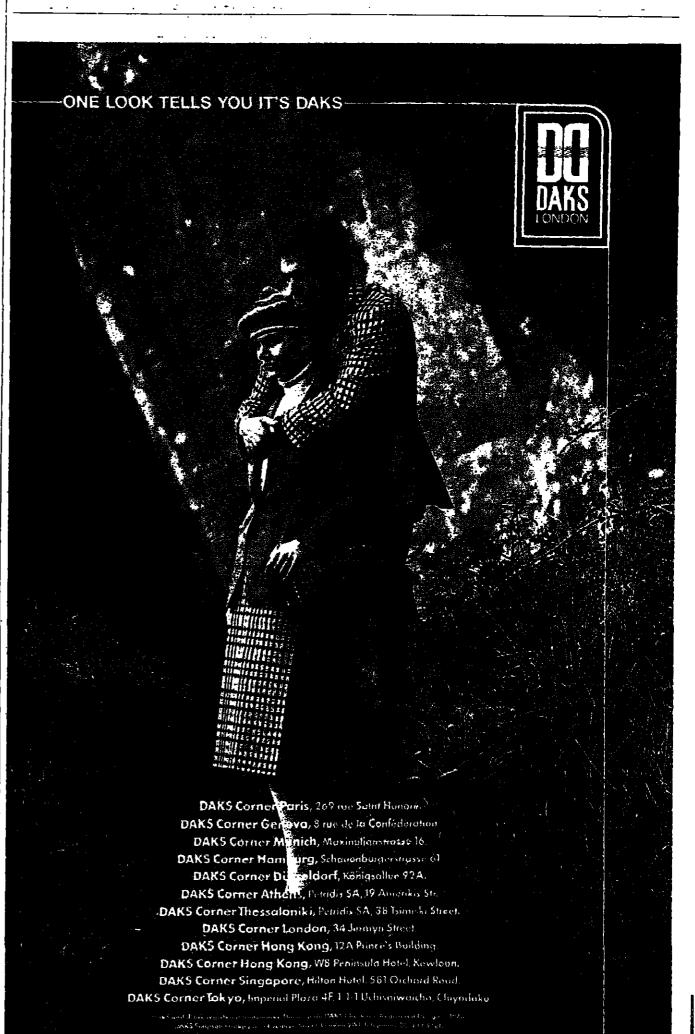
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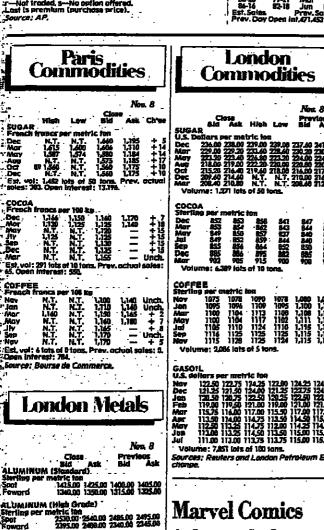
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Chase Considers Sale Of Discount Brokerage

New York Times Service NEW YORK — Chase Manhattan Corp. said that it was considering the sale of its discount brokerage subsidiary, Rose & Co. Investment Brokers Inc. A spokesman said Chase had been as a said Chase had been considered. man said Chase had been approached by an interested buyer, but declined to provide details.

According to people close to Rose, John L. Rose, president of the Chicago-based brokerage, is also considering making a bid. People close to the bank said that Chase officials have heard that Mr. Rose is interested but have not received a formal proposal from him.



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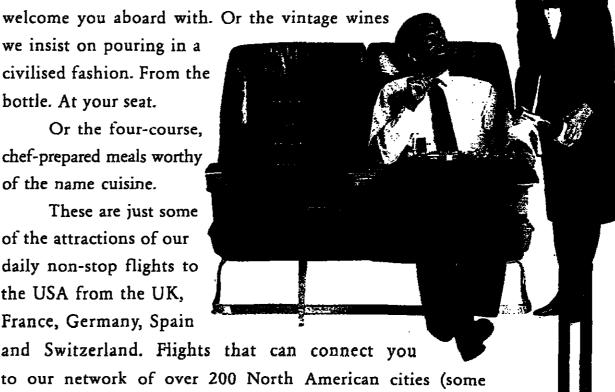
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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - The dollar rose Toesday as dealers adjusted their positions in anticipation of a victory by Vice President George Bush in the U.S. presidential elec-

Traders around the world attrib-uled the dollar's gains to increased confidence that Mr. Bush would defeat Governor Michael S. Dukakis of Massachusetts in the presidential election.

"The anticipation of a Bush victory has led to some position adjustment," said James McGroarty, a vice president at Discount Corp. Currency traders have the impression that Mr. Bush will extend the prosperity of the Reagan years, while Mr. Dukakis's tough stand on trade issues provokes fears of protectionist legislation. Mr. McGroarty said foreign investors remain more comfortable with the

Reseau-era policies. The U.S. currency also drew some support earlier in overseas trading from rumors - later discounted — that Emperor Hirohito of Japan had died, prompting some players to switch out of yen and into dollars.

There was concern that the death of the emperor, who remained critically ill Tuesday, would require businesses to close for a mourning period in Japan just when currency dealers would be reacting to the

The dollar ended at 1.7898 Deutsche marks, up from 1.7778 DM on Monday, and at 125.70 yea, up from 124.55 yea. It also rose to 1.5033 Swiss francs from 1.489 pared with \$1.7798 on Monday. In London earlier, the dollar

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inched higher throughout the session as dealers evened up their positions before the results of the U.S.

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presidential election were tallied. The European currency markets were also expecting a victory for Mr. Bush, who had been leading Mr. Dukakis in the opinion polls for several weeks. But dealers said an an element of uncertainty remained regarding the dollar's reac-

tion to the election result. The dollar rose to 1.7890 DM in London from 1.7835 DM on Mon-day, and to 125.63 yen from 124.65 yen. It also climbed to 1.5025 Swiss francs from 1.4929 francs, and to 6.1055 French francs from 6.0875

down from \$1.7755 Monday.
(AP, UPI, Reuters)

■ 3-Year Notes Yield 8.59%

The Treasury said it auctioned \$9.51 billion of three-year notes at an average yield of 8.59 percent on Tuesday, Reuters reported from

Washington.
Yields on the three-year notes
fell to an average 8.59 percent, the lowest rate since the notes averaged 8.23 percent on May 10.

The auction was the first leg of a \$19 billion quarterly refunding announced by the Treasury on Nov. 2. The sales are to refinance \$16.8 billion of maturing securities and raise \$2.2 billion of new cash. On Wednesday, the Treasury plans to offer \$9.5 billion of 10-

vear notes The Treasury plans to offer \$9 billion in 30-year bonds later this month or early in December, if President Ronald Reagan signs the tax corrections bill now on his desk, which would renew the department's authority to issue longterm bonds.

Accepted bids for the three-year The pound ended at \$1.7705, notes were in a range of 8.58 percent to 8.60 percent. A total of \$28.33 billion in bids were received.

Sprinkel Sees **Interest Rates** Falling in U.S.

WASHINGTON — U.S. interest rates, which have been rising since Friday's employment report for October, will head back down, President Ronald Reagan's chief eco-nomic adviser said Tuesday. Said Beryl W. Sprinkel,

Rates will renew the downward trend that has been under way for some time." He was speaking after addressing a conference sponsored by the American Stock Exchange. Interest rates will fall because inflationary pressures are fading, he said. The employ-

ment report signaled neither inflation nor recession, Mr. Sprinkel said, adding that growth prospects are favorable. Mr. Sprinkel said he would welcome tax changes to excourage equity financing at the expense of debt financing.

Australia to Maintain Tight Money Policy

CANBERRA, Australia --Treasurer Paul Keating of Austrahia said Tuesday that his country's monetary policy would remain tight to keep demand in check and prevent the economy from over-

Mr. Keating told Parliament that francs, and climbed to 6.1065 the economy was showing "considerable strength" as business invest-The pound fell to \$1.7700, com- ment grew rapidly and exports ex-

panded.
"We will continue to stop de-

mand running too rapidly by keeping public spending tight and also keeping monetary policy appropriately tight," Mr. Keating said. "We will continue to keep the economy competitive while we boost our productive capacity through strong

investment growth." Private consumption remained subdued, he said, while tight fiscal policy meant that public demand was declining. Inflation would be reducted through the government's in exchange for income-tax cuts, he

confidenc Credit was tightened in the June quarter as the economy started to pick up speed, and its availability

Mr. Keating noted that the government had eased monetary po-licy after last year's stock market collapse to help the liquidity of the financial system and to maintain

(AFP, Reuters)

VOGUE: Wall Street's Buyout Wave is Likely to Have a Lasting Effect

(Continued from Page 1) equity. As a public company, its equity base, the financial bedrock on which companies are built, had

amounted to \$1.5 billion, Since the new group of owners is so limited in size, the financial rewards from making these companies more profitable can be dispro-

portionately large.

The leveraged buyout funds are confident that they can wring more profits from their acquisitions because they usually target conglom-erates that were assembled in the diversification frenzy of the 1970s.

By ridding those companies of unnecessary layers of management, selling off unproductive divisions. or reuniting neglected subsidiaries with dedicated operating managers, they are finding that profit margins often can be improved. Who are the leading fund man-

agers? In the early 1980s, the leveraged buyout firm of Kohlberg Kravis, Roberts & Co. had the field almost to itself. But after watching that firm rake in returns of about 40 percent annually, many large Wall Street investment houses have recently decided to get into the act.

Over the last year and a half, firms as varied as the venerable Morgan Stanley & Co. and the brash upstart Wasserstein Perella & Co. have set up leveraged buyout funds.

Some of the money has come from their own coffers. Morgan Stanley, for instance, has committed an estimated \$300 million of its own money to its \$2 billion fund. But, like Kohlberg, Kravis, the bulk of these funds are usually made up of contributions from large state and corporate pension funds, insurance companies, commercial banks and university endowment funds.

Kohlberg, Kravis's current \$5 billion fund has more than 70 institutional investors, including the

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Marshall Burkes, executive director, Wisconsin Investment Board.

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ment strategies. Marshall Burkes, executive director of the Wisconsin Investment Board, is obviously a firm believer in the leveraged buyout phenomenon. He has close to \$750 million of his \$16 billion pool spread around 13 or 14 leveraged buyout funds.

James George, investment man-ager of the \$9 billion Oregon Public Employees' Retirement System, has chosen the opposite tack. He gave \$600 million to Kohlberg, Kravis alone, and that was it. "You're bidding against yourself if you're in more than one," he said. Once these pension fund managers part with their money, they be-

come passive investors. "Our purpose is to put funds under professional management," said Mr. Burkes. "If you hire some-

one to manage your investments, you don't second-guess them."

Mr. George, of the Oregon pen-sion system, concurred, "As limited partners we have absolutely no re-

would be presumptuous of us," Mr. George said. "That would not be

Instead, control of a company in the portfolio is exercised by the fund manager, which almost always sits on the company's board

In most leveraged buyouts, the fund manager works hand in hand with management, which is given an equity stake in the newly private

The sponsors of the leveraged buyout funds tend to focus more on financial issues, such as how to make the best use of a company's

As the head of Merrill Lynch's \$1.5 billion leveraged buyout fund, James J. Burke Jr., who is 36, sits on the boards of five corporations, including Borg-Warner and Supermarkets General Corp.

A representative of Morgan Stanley's fund talks weekly with senior executives at the Collum Cos., a Dallas grocery chain that is money make a mistake, they lationship with the underlying investment," he explained. He often

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can make acquisitions. "It's as tight a relationship as you can have between a bank and a borrower," said a senior leveraged buyout lender. "We have fingertip control that enables us to monitor

the performance of a company." What difference could it make that a company is controlled by a leveraged buyout fund with faceless investors instead of a much larger group of public stockhold-ers? A lot.

The high debt loads these companies have had to take on when they are converted to private control leaves them little margin for

If this new breed of owner is overly optimistic about what it can make from selling off a company's assets, or about how much cash it can generate to pay interest, it could force a company to slash op-

crations excessively. Soundly structured deals arranged in conjunction with seasoned managers can obviate these risks. And sponsors that have a lot of their own money invested are more likely to have the best inter-

ests of the companies at heart. A concern among corporate executives is that some buyout fund managers are in the business for the first time and have little of their firm's money at risk. If those who are playing with other people's feel the repercussions far less than the companies they buy

Tuesday's NASDAQ prices as of 4 p.m. New York time.

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KATHARINE AND E.B. WHITE: An Affectionate Memoir

By Isabel Russell. 269 pages. \$18.95. W. W. Norton & Co., 500 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10110. Reviewed by Michael Dirda

Look "Charlotte's Web," "that someone comes along who is a true friend and a good writer," Charlotte the spider, of course, was both. And so was E.B. White in the eyes of his secretary Isabel Russell.

White was certainly a good writer, for many the modern master of the plain style, at once economical, clear and sprightly. He was not only a jack of all writing thades, but also a master of most. Children still learn to read with "Stuart Little"; essays such as "Death of a Pig" read with "Stnart Little"; essays such as "Death of a Pig" appear frequently in high school textbooks; and no one under the age of 50 has gotten through college without acquiring a copy of White's revision of William Strunk's "Elements of Style," the famous "little book" that has done more for clear writing than any guide since Fowler's "Modern English Usage." As for readers over 50, they probably grew up with White's pieces for his beloved New Yorker magazine, whose characteristic tone — urbane and disingenuous — he helped set.

Russell counted herself one of those older admirers, and when characteristic to the characteristic than the set of those older admirers.

and when chance led her to settle near Brookim, Maine, she happily applied for the post of secretary in the White household. This "affectionate memoir" makes apparent that she relished the prospect of becoming close to EB (as she calls him); indeed, like many a secretary before and since, she gradually fell half in love with her employer. For his part, White valued Russell highly for her skills, and was glad of her help during periods of crisis, but otherwise behaved toward her with kindly indifference. For much of the time between 1970 and 1978, he just shuffled quietly along, watching his geese lay eggs, avoiding all social occasions, scarcely exchanging more than a "good morning" with Russell.

All in all, a reclusive, courtly old duffer — who just happened to be married to the demanding, sickly, mean, spiteful and altogether maddening Katharine Sergeant White. In fact, Russell worked largely for K, scrting papers, making lists of books, typing letters, wrapping and when chance led her to settle near Brooklin, Maine.

papers, making lists of books, typing letters, wrapping Christmas packages, bowing to every whim. For many years The New Yorker's most important editor (except-ing only the great helmsman Harold Ross), Katharine White was by this time a housebound old woman, dosed with drugs that altered her personality (for the worse) afflicted with deteriorating vision, nearly helpless with-but a walker, often disoriented and forgetful. Russell gradually got so fed up with K's whims that in 1977 she resigned. When Katharine White died a few months later, Russell returned to help EB organize her papers and settle the estate. Soon thereafter she moved to New Hampshire and never saw the writer again. White himself died in 1985.

Russell's memoir is thus very narrow in purpose, a footnote to both Scott Elledge's "E.B. White" and Linda Davis's life of Katharine White. At their best, remniscences by a secretary, nurse or relative can provide a revealing glimpse of the Great Man or Woman en deshabillé; at their worst the results are those creepy, "as

"told to" gossip fests by, say, a senator's cook.

During their last decade together the Whites employed a day and a night nurse, a secretary, a cook, a gardener and the occasional handyman and housekeeper. (So

much for the simple life.)

According to Russell, they "exchanged notes back and forth between study and living room, as they had been accustomed to do when their respective offices at The New Yorker were far apart." K and EB made it a point of honor to answer virtually all their mail; the purchase

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to the stage where you have to send forth a dove to see if the waters are receding, it's ridiculous."

Such details do bring life to this memoir, but they are all too few. For the most part, the Whites appear here almost as cartoon figures by their old friend James Thurber: bossy, house-dominating wife; quiet mousy

husband, eager to escape to open ground.

Readers avid to know everything they can about Katharine or E.B. White — and their admirers are legion — may want to pick up Isabel Russell's book. But most others would better spend their time in reading, or rereading, the continuously entertaining "Letters of E.B. White" or K's "Onward and Upward in the Garden."

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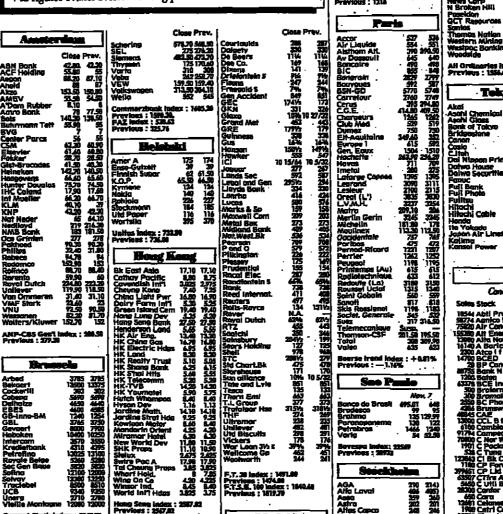
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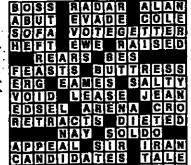
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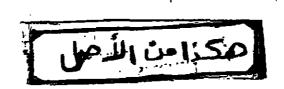








Solution to Previous Puzzle



LONDON - With late autumn comes soccer's pressure point. The prizes and the brickbats come in the spring, but it is when the leaves are falling that crippling burdens are applied to the best players.

The demands are insane. Superstar salaries mean fewer and fewer on the payroll, but the contests get faster and faster and, to pay those wages, become more and more numerous. Clubs competing for league and European trophies cram as many as three contests into one week, then

nations want the same players for World Cup qualifiers.

Some of those matches used to be trifling. But, as Sweden found in Albania last weekend, nothing's easy nowadays. The Swedes' 2-1 victory was wrong out of a struggle so

ROB HUCHES physically demanding that their manager, Olle Nordin, said it "was the sweatiest match I've been involved with." Some of his players have barely had time to draw breath before regrouping for Wednesday's return match against Nentori Tirana in the European Cup.

Speed and tirelessness are is the one way the Albanians can stretch their better opponents to the breaking point. But as Rund Gullit knows, sophisticates can break themselves. His 6-foot, 4-inch (1.93-meter) body is so beautifully proportioned that it might have been sculpted to transcend the sport, while beneath those Rastafarian dreadlocks is brain

transcend the sport, while beneath those Rastafarian dreadlocks is brain enough to exert his physique, and transcend soccer Rund does.

Or did. Right now Guilit is a hospital case. His ankle, damaged last year but patched up to help Milan win the Italian League and the Netherlands win the European Championship, screamed for rest. Milan showed some patience, allowing Guilit time off from its avalanche of preseason money spinning exhibitions and beginning its league defense without him. However, last Sunday, prematurely, he was back. He scored in 22 minutes against Verona, then was off the field moments later, applying ice on a strained hamstring.

Red Star Belgrade won't mind a bit. Having held a Guilit-less Milan to a 1-1 draw two weeks ago in the European Cup's second round, first leg, Red Star wants to finish off the Italian giant in Yugoslavia. No Guilit to contend with, just the little matter of Marco Van Basten, Frank Rijkaard,

contend with, just the little matter of Marco Van Basten, Frank Rijkaard, Franco Baresi, Antonio Virdis, Carlo Ancelotti and Roberto Donadoni, to name but a few of Milan's Dutch-Italian supporting cast. The Belgrade roar, a throw-back to times past, will inject excitement and ambition into home players technically astute and temperamentally mercurial. Here lies the key. In its 33 years, the European Cup has induced schizophrenia. The pattern is that

The strain is in the mind as well as body, and in some cases chronic.

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you win, or try to, at home. You harness the roar of the crowd, you play with risk. You attack, attack, attack. Away from home: Same players, same coach, reverse strategy. You suffocate the opposition. You dowse the crowd. You negate. Because of some more recent

tampering with the rules, a 0-0 draw will not help Milan. If home and away aggregate scores are even, away goals count double, so Milan has to go for a goal. Fortunately, it has, by Italian standards, a team schooled to attack. Belgrade could get quite a match, possibly ended by the dreaded penalty shoot-out. All of this makes me wonder whether the clinics, so busy on busted

athletic limbs and muscles, shouldn't install a psychiatrist's couch. That's not to suggest that Gullit, or any other wounded warrior, has hamstring twinges in the mind. But the strain is up there as well, and in some cases the symptoms are chronic. Take the Giasgow Rangers. That team, or the rump of that team, has to try to overhaul FC Koln's

1 that team, of the ramp of that team, has to my to overnant PC Konn's 2-0 first leg lead. Its manager, Graeme Soumess, was both artist and minimidator as a player. Fourteen players sent off in three years under Soumess demonstrates how those players interpret duty — and handicap themselves by doing so. This Wednesday, for example, they need three clear goals but have been sabotaged by absentees. Ian Durrant, a thrusting, attacking player, is so badly injured after a spiteful, domestic match against Aberdeen that he may never be effective again. To lose one have in melostomests. To lose four as the Panagers have its structures. key man is unfortunate. To lose four, as the Rangers have, is atrocious. And it comes of the club's own lack of discipline.

Full-back John Brown was banned after kicking a Polish physiothera-pist's medical bag in an earlier tie. Midfielder Ray Wilkins was suspended after twice being camioned. But striker Ally McCoist has been the biggest fool: He was sent off in the last moments of the game in Cologne for a foul tackle on defender Paul Steiner. Afterward, Steiner, no doubt ignorant of the volatility that awaits in Glasgow, needlessly boasted that "there was dialogue between us from early on. McCoist told me I could expect a rough time in the second leg. I told him he would not be playing quite deliberately and he committed his brutal foul.

Very smart. Very ugly. Totally brainless. Cologne already had gone two goals up, thanks to Olaf Janssez and Klaus Allofs, the latter having been rejuvenated after two years and three operations to retrieve a career

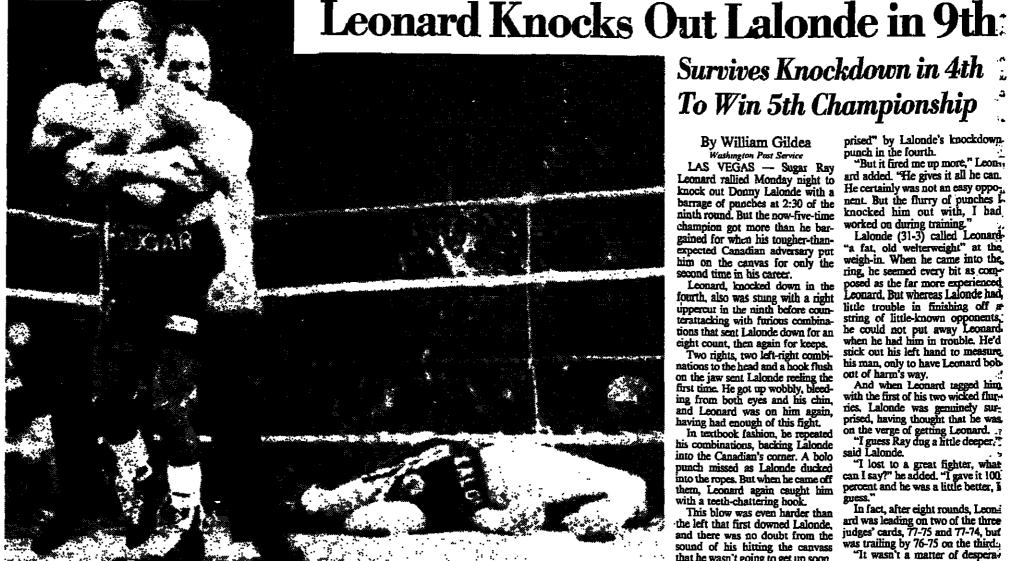
salmost kicked to pulp by Manni Kaltz.

Why stir it up when you're winning? And, it was reported, someone on the Scots' beach had shouted to McCoist before he kicked Steiner: "Next game, Costy! Next game!" McCost, injured anyway, ensured there would be no next game. But his was not the only mistake in Cologne.

Souness felt that his plan, to shut out the home team, had worked until his men tired. He suggested that winning the Scottish Skol Cup final four days earlier had physically undermined his players. Morten Olsen, the Dane who sat out the match as Cologne's substitute, agreed that the Rangers were tired — but mentally, not physically. "They lost their ability to concentrate and that's why they lost the two goals," he said. There, in essence, is the state of European soccer: Trying to play so

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many times, in so many differing ways, requires a balance of body and mind. The winners this Wednesday, this weekend and next week will be versatile men, indeed. And people with brains above the kneecans.



Sugar Ray Leonard was restrained by referee Richard Steele after Donny Lalonde had been knocked down and out in the ninth round.

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replacement players during the strike. But in ending that streak, the Oilers won the 15th home game tun, Houston's Doug Smith had

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Lou Duva, 66, manager of defeated Vinnie Pazienza, was saved from

Monday night to end four years in their last 16 non-strike contests.

down runs from a rugged ground quarter, extending the Oilers' lead game and the defease limiting the Browns to just 44 yards rushing.

Reggie Langhorne's 20-yard dou-

Moon, following a blocked number

threw an eight-yard touchdown pass to Ernest Givins in the third

Warren Moon had lost seven Bernie Kosar's four-yard scoring tackled at the Browns' 35. That set

straight to the Browns — the only pass to tight end Ozzie Newsome up Tony Zendejas' 47-yard field victory, in 1987, having come from with 7:26 left to play. It was Newson!

Fighter, Manager Floored

LAS VEGAS - Roger a right. Mayweather, having cut Vinnie Pazienza early in their bout on the under his right eye, as referee Mills Leonard-Lalonde undercard, Lane tried to keep the two apart. knocked him down in the 11th Luckily for Duva, other members round Monday night to win a of his corner tackled him before he unanimous 12-round decision and could press the issue further, and retain his World Boxing Council the Nevada commission immedisuper lightweight title.

In another fight, Gilberto Roman of Mexico, cut over his left eye by a collision of heads in the third round, collision of heads in the third round, champion, was cut under the left jabbed his way to a unanimous 12- eye in the fifth round and on the Rojas of Colombia in defense of his WBC super flyweight title.

Not only was Pazienza battered but his 66-year-old manager, Lou whether the bout should continue.

Drva, also came out of the bout When it did. Pazienza nicked up beaten and bruised by Mayweather. the pace, but late in the 11th round

run, Houston's Doug Smith had

been penalized for illegal use of the

hands, erasing an interception by cornerback Patrick Allen.

Then, on third down, Moon

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completed a 42-yard pass to Leon-

ard Harris, who caught the ball

zienza all fight long, countered with Duva went to the canvass, cut

ately suspended the hot-tempered Duva pending a hearing.

Pazienza, a former lightweight round decision over Sugar Baby left eyelid in the seventh, With his eye almost closed by the ninth, Lane briefly halted the fight so that the ringside physician could decide

In a wild ending to a wild fight, Mayweather connected with a right Duva charged Mayweather after uppercut that put Pazienza on the the two boxers — for the lifth time seat of his trunks. Pazienza was up in the bout — had exchanged blows quickly and went after May-following the final bell. Duva threw weather, throwing a right after the some punches even wilder than the bell. Mayweather answered with ones thrown by his fighter before two rights that put Pazienza

The Browns had one more pos-

session, moving to their 44 before

Kosar couldn't handle a high snap

out of the shotgun formation, Ray

Childress recovered the ball for the

Oilers, and they ran out the clock.

Rozier and Highsmith, who car-ned eight times for 40 yards, and

Allen Pinkett, who had eight carries

for 31 yards, gave the Oilers 143 yards rushing. That enabled Hous-

ton to hold the ball for nearly 36

minutes, 12 more than Cleveland,

which ran the ball just 16 times.

Survives Knockdown in 4th To Win 5th Championship prised" by Lalonde's knockdown

By William Gildea

Washington Post Service
LAS VEGAS — Sugar Ray Leonard railied Monday night to knock out Donny Lalonde with a barrage of panches at 2:30 of the near But the flurry of punch ninth round. But the now-five-time champion got more than he bargained for when his tougher-thanexpected Canadian adversary put him on the canvas for only the second time in his career.

Leonard, knocked down in the fourth, also was stung with a right uppercut in the ninth before counterattacking with furious combinations that sent Lalonde down for an eight count, then again for keeps.

Two rights, two left-right combinations to the head and a hook flush on the jaw sent Lalonde reeling the first time. He got up wobbly, bleed-ing from both eyes and his chin, and Leonard was on him again, having had enough of this fight. In textbook fashion, he repeated

his combinations, backing Lalonde into the Canadian's corner. A bolo punch missed as Lalonde ducked into the ropes. But when he came off them, Leonard again caught him with a teeth-chattering hook. This blow was even harder than

the left that first downed Lalonde, and there was no doubt from the sound of his hitting the canvass that he wasn't going to get up soon. With that, Leonard (35-1) raised

his arms in triumph. He had won Lalonde's World Boxing Council light heavyweight title and the vacant WBC super middleweight ti-tle, for a total of five titles in five weight classes over the course of his off-and-on career.

"Some boxing experts said he was not worthy," said Leonard. "He proved he was worthy."

Although Leonard had piled up points, twice during the fight he was caught badly by right-hand punches from the 3-1 underdog. In the fourth round, a short over-

hand right put Leonard down. He bounced up, taking an eight count with his eyes clear, but the scene was reminiscent of another of his near-disastrous performances, when he was knocked down in 1984 by journeyman Kevin Howard.

Then, Leonard also hit the deck in the fourth, and rallied to win in the Leonard's payday: more than \$12 million, the most he's ever gotten, with the possibility of the state of the minon, the most he's ever gouen, with the possibility of more. La-londe got a guarantee of \$5 million. Leonard, admitting afterward that he had been "lackadaisical,"

came back strong in the fifth, landing with three huge combinations began the first serious draining of Lalonde's power.

'After I knocked him down, thought it was only a matter of ting coach, returned to the Nation-time," said Lalonde. "Obviously, I al League team for which he played waited too long. I couldn't get to him, although I hit him many times and hurt him. Leonard's a bit quicker than I thought. I felt I had this fight. I had no idea I could lose it. He's a hell of a fighter."

Leonard, 32, circled and danced much of the night, but often was willing to trade punches with Lalonde, who outweighed him, 167 pounds (74.7 kilograms) to 165. As Leonard continued to pepper

Lalonde in the seventh and eighth, it appeared he would have no tronble winning a decision despite his fourth-round mishap. Bleeding a bit from the bridge of his nose for much of the fight, he scored almost at will with lefts in the eighth.

But in the ninth, Lalonde again stunned Leonard. It was almost as if Leonard had lulled himself to sleep, so effortlessly had he been scoring. Lalonde shook him with a right and, for Leonard it was another moment of truth, time to get his head clear and call on all his resources. He did.

He surprised Lalonde, who appeared to have no idea how much staying power Leonard had, landing a lightning combination. With that reversal, it was only a matter of time for Lalonde.

"It was a great fight," said Leonard, reiterating that he was "sur-

punch in the fourth. "But it fired me up more," Leon, ard added. "He gives it all he can. He certainly was not an easy oppoknocked him out with, I had

worked on during training." Lalonde (31-3) called Leonard "a fat, old welterweight" at the weigh-in. When he came into the ring he seemed every bit as composed as the far more experienced Leonard, But whereas Lalonde had, little trouble in finishing off a string of little-known opponents, he could not put away Leonard when he had him in trouble. He'd stick out his left hand to measure his man, only to have Leonard bob

out of harm's way.

And when Leonard tagged him with the first of his two wicked flurries. Lalonde was genninely sur-prised, having thought that he was, on the verge of getting Leonard. .? "I guess Ray dug a little deeper." said Lalonde.

"I lost to a great fighter, what can I say?" he added. "I gave it 100 percent and he was a little better, I

In fact, after eight rounds, Leonard was leading on two of the three judges' cards, 77-75 and 77-74, but was trailing by 76-75 on the third:
It wasn't a matter of desperation," said Leonard, "it was a matter of me getting back respect."



Art Howe: Back with Astros.

Houston Picks Hires Lefebvre

HOUSTON - Art Howe was

hired Monday as manager of the Houston Astros, and Jim Lefebvre as manager of the Seattle Mariners. Howe, the Texas Rangers' hit-

seven of his 10 years in major-league baseball, while Lefebvre, the third base coach and hitting instructor for the American League champion Oakland Athletics, took over the last-place Mariners. Howe, 41, who signed a two-year

contract, became the 10th manager in the Astros' 26-year history. He replaced Hal Lanier, who was fired Oct. 2. Lanier's Astros won the NL West title in 1986 but finished fifth last season with an 82-80 record.

Howe batted 260 with Pitts burgh, Houston and St. Louis, playing at first, second and third base. He played for the Astros when they won the division title in 1980, led them in hitting (.296) in 1981 and set a team record by hitting safely in 23 straight games that year.

Lefebvre, 46, who also got a twoyear contract, replaced Jimmy Snyder, who took over as interim manager in June when Dick Williams was fired a little more than two years into the job. Lefebvre became

the Mariners' eighth manager. He won the NL rookie of the year award in 1965 as a second baseman for Los Angeles, then played seven more years with the Dodgers and four in Japan before managing in the minor leagues. He coached for Los Angeles and San Francisco from 1978 to 1982.

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schools. "Certainly not in the last three of four years," he said. "It's been a little on the dry side."

Even at UNH, A Loser Has to Go Sometime

The Associated Press

DURHAM, New Hampshire -The upcoming basketball season could mark the end of an astounding survival story in college sports. How else can you describe the saga of a coach who has lasted 19 years at the same Division 1 school with a 184-313 record?

"They're not known for firing coaches at New Hampshire," said Gerry Friel. But even at a university where

academics always come first, it is difficult to swallow consecutive basketball seasons of 4-24 and 4-25. Lionel Carbonneau, the interim men's athletic director, said Friel has met with UNH's president, Gordon Haaland, "and I think he

In his first 18 years at UNH, Friel worked on one-year contracts under an athletic director, Andy Mooradian, who felt Friel did as well as possible with a meager recruiting budget. But Mooradian retired last

understands what the president has

year, and 8-49 can be embarrassing. Furthermore, Friel enters his 20th year without a center taller than 6 feet,7 inches (2 meters).

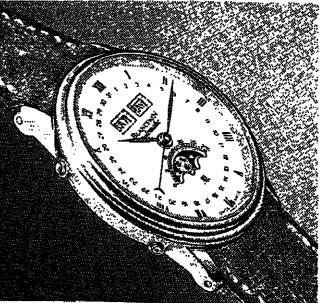
UNH had only one winning season in the 24 since World War II before Friel took over in 1969. And, he had winning teams three of his first five seasons. Then, after an eight-year drought, he gave UNH its first consecutive winning seasons since 1931-33.

When he was winning, Friel turned down opportunities to move on to schools with more prestige and more money. Now that he's losing, he isn't hearing from other

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Unpublished Stories

By Russell Baker N EW YORK — Here are some

news stories that weren't published during the presidential cam-paign, but would have made a lot of difference if they had been. Though

Michael Dukakis last night gave American voters plenty of evidence that he is fiery enough to fill their demands for a president who can show passion. The fireworks exploded at the start of the great Bush-Dukakis debate when moderator Bernard Shaw of the Cable News Network asked what the governor would do to an assailant who had raped and mardered Mrs. Dukakis.

Leaping from the podium, the governor seized Shaw by the windpipe and began throttling him while screaming, "I'd lose all self-control just like this and slowly choke him to death with my bare hands." Shaw was saved by the pleas of three female panelists who regged Dukakis, in the cause of fair play, to spare the moderator so he could ask Bush an equally disturb-

ing question.

Afterward, political emotion experts faulted Bush for remaining calmly at his lectern throughout the assault. Bush's failure to help the women stop Dukakis from com-mitting murder, they said, showed a lack of presidential-caliber passion. "We don't have to worry about Dukakis committing mur-der," Bush said. "But even if he does, he'll let himself out on furlough to continue the campaign."

Police at yesterday's World Series game in Los Angeles had to ask Dukakis's Secret Service guards to arrest the Democratic on candidate for beating up fans who didn't stand up when the color guard brought in the flag.

While being fingerprinted at headquarters, Dukakis noted that, out of respect, he hadn't attacked anybody while the flag was being displayed. He had simply noted which fans failed to stand up. When the flag had been carried off, he started punching the offenders.

The penalty for punching a base-

ball ian for not respecting the flag is 30 days in jail. Dukakis insists on serving it, though it will mean end-ing his presidential campaign in jail. Republican candidate Bush is demanding equal jail time. Declar-ing he was "sick and tired" of George Bush calling him a liberal,

Dukakis yesterday issued a "soak-the-poor" challenge to the Republican candidate.

He has ordered campaign aides to round up 1,000 desperately poor widows and orphans and pledges to soak them in Boston Harbor. The im, he said, is "to prove once and for all that I am more contemptsons of liberalism than any other

candidate in this campaign."

In his challenge to Bush, he said: This harbor is not as filthy as the Republican candidate says. Still, it should take only one soaking in it to persuade these panpers to quit tak-ing money from the pockets of the middle class. Does Bush detest liberalism enough to join me in soaking a thousand? My bet, my friends, is that he'll show his true colors and break down blubbering before he's soaked his tenth widow.

Florida prison guards were astounded last night to discover that the man trying to shoot his way in was Governor Michael Dukakis.

Disarmed and brought to the warden's office, he said the large nber of Florida convicts who had not been executed despite capi-tal sentences should alert all Americans to the need for a change in the White House.

Directors of the National Rifle Association praised the governor for making his bold, one-man attack on the prison with a cheap "Saturday night special," saying it showed "a love for the Constitution that should hearten all gun-loving Americans," The NRA stateme in praise of the governor is expected to result in Dukakis's being made an honorary citizen of the state of Texas.

Striving to satisfy the American voters' clamor for more likability, Dukakis yesterday took a page from the lovable old-time Chicago mayor who promised to punch King George in the nose if the British monarch dared come to

It was not British royalty that aroused Dukakis's crowd-pleasing ire, but the purveyors of polls showing him far behind George Bush. "If Brokaw, Rather, Jennings, The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal announce the findings of one more poll," he declared, "I'm going to strangle them all with my bere hands."

George Burns, Talking a Book to Gracie

"Those of you who have seen me perform know I smoke a cigar and use it as a prop. When I tell a joke, I pause and puff on my cigar. That way, when I take a puff on my cigar, the audience knows I've told a joke." George Burns in "Gracie: A Love Story"

> By Mervyn Rothstein New York Times Service

ONCE a month, George Burns goes to Forest Lawn Cemetery to talk to his late wife, Gracie Allen. "I'll always love Gracie," Burns says. "Gracie made my whole life. Don't forget, I did 15 or 20 acts before I met Gracie, and they were all flops. If it wasn't for Gracie, I don't think you'd be interviewing me."

Now Burns, who is 92, has done a book about his wife, "Gracie: A Love Story," which G.P. Putnam's Sons is publishing this month. "I told her I was writing this book about her," he says in the book. "Evidenty she approves — she didn't say anything.'
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The book begins with Gracie growing up in San Francisco, "in a big, loving Irish family." It covers Burns's and Allen's lives together: how they first met in vaudeville; how they began performing together ("Gracie was the whole act"); their 18 years on radio and 8 on television; their four decades of marriage, and their two adopted children. Their son, Ronnie, who appeared on their television show, is now a inessmen in California.

Burns also writes about her badly scarred left arm and shoulder (a pot of boiling tea fell on her when she was a child, and as a result she always were long sleeves); the crippling migraines she suf-fered throughout her life, and the heart problems that led to her death in 1964 at

the age of 58.
"I talk a book," Burns says by telephone from California. "I don't write a book. We sit and we talk, and if it's funny we use it. I can't write. I can't spell. I only went as far as fourth grade. This is the seventh book I've done, and in my whole life I've read only two."

The idea for the book, he says, came from David Fisher, a free-lance writer. "He deserves a lot of the credit," Burns says. George Burns (his real name was Nathan Birnbaum, and Gracie called him Nattie) met Grace Ethel Cecile Rosalie Allen (or Googie, as he called her) in vandeville in 1923.

In their first act, he was the comedian and she was the straight man. The problem was, Gracie got the laughs. "I didn't have to be a genius to understand that there was something wrong with a comedy act when the straight lines got more laughs than the punch lines," Burns recalls in the book. So he started giving her the punch lines, and the act clicked. The audience had created



with Gracie in an NBC radio show.

Gracie's character," he writes. "I listened to the jokes they laughed at and gave Gra-cie more of that type." Gracie was the classic Dumb Dora whom everyone adored. "The character was simply the diz-ziest dame in the world, but what made her different from all the other Dumb Doras

was that Cracie played her as if she were totally sane, as if her answers actually made sense. We called it illogical-logic. "For example, she would ask me, Where

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do you keep your money?"
"In a bank,' I'd respond. What interest do you get?" "Four percent.

"Ha I get eight."

"You get eight?"
"Yep — I keep it in two banks."
"Women understood her," Burns comments in the book. "Men thought they were married to her. And everybody knew some-

"Gracie was an actress, not a comedi-cune," he says on the telephone. "Gracie didn't think she was dumb - the whole world thought she was dumb. Gracie didn't tell you a joke; she explained it to you. For instance, once I said to Gracie, Did the nurse ever drop you when you were a baby? And Gracie said, 'Don't be ridiculous. We were too poor to have a nurse. My

Back in 1940 Gracie ran for president of the United States — as the candidate of the Surprise Party. She held a news conference and announced that her first official act would be to settle the Florida-California

boundary dispute. She promised to give the East Coast a 25 percent rebate of California's climate, and she refused to do away with the national debt, saying that the United States should be very proud of it because it was the largest in the world.

When she gave a speech on radio in Omaha, the city's mayor, Dan Butler, asked her to "Call me Dan." She refused. "Everybody knows you can't say Dan on the radio," she said.

Burns comments frequently in the book that Gracie was the sole reason for the success of Burns and Allen, yet in the quarter century since her death he has gone on to considerable success in television, in nightclubs and in the movies. He even won an Oscar for best supporting actor, for "The Sunshine Boys." And he played the title role in "Oh, God!"

"A lot of Gracie rubbed off on me," he says. "I learned a lot. In the old days, I was able to think of the things, and Gracie was able to do them. I got a lot of the laughs offstage, and she got them onstage. Now it's different. I've been around for a lot of years. I'm an accepted commodity.

"I just played a date at a college and there were thousands of kids out there. Before I go on stage, I stand by the side and blow a little smoke from my cigar. The moment they saw the smoke, the people stood up. When I came out they were still standing — they probably wanted to see if I could still walk."

Things are tougher for young comedians today than they were when he was starting out, Burns says. "When I was a kid, there were places to be bad," he says. "Now he had," he says. "Now had." there's no place to be bad. And if you can't be bad, you can't develop." Burns, whose other books include "How

to Live to Be 100 - or Mare!: The Ultimate Diet, Sex and Exercise Book," Burns' Prescription for Happiness" and "Dear George: Advice and Answers From America's Leading Expert on Everything From A to B," is planning another book with Fisher. It will be called "George Burns and Friends" and will be about the people in show business he knew: Al Joison, Eddie Cantor, the Marx Brothers and, of course, Jack Benny.

But, generally, he says, "I'm not inter ed in anything I did yesterday. I'm only interested in what I'm going to do today."

Today, he's doing an interview. Tomorrow

There may be another movie.
"We're talking about doing 'Oh, God 4,' "
he says. "If it's a good script, I'll do it. The
first one was good. John Denver. — God
would come down for John Denver. John Denver's a nice man. What we're thinking of s, God takes a holiday. He wants to go to McDonald's. Lie on the beach. Get a little sun. And what he sees is a world on fire --people smoking dope, the nuclear bomb.

"If it's a good script, PII do it. And if it's a bad script, and they pay me enough, I'll do it. That's not true. I'm puffing my cigar."

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Rushdie's Novel Wins A Whitbread Award

The Indian-born author Sale wie won the novel section of Britain's biggest literary prize Tuesday for his "The Satanic Verses" and called on India to liftits ban on the book. "I hope the prime minister of India is listening," Rushdie said after receivingthe £1,500 (\$2,650) Whitbread award. The novel has been banned following protests of biasphemous treatment of Mohammed, the prophet of Islam.

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Bill Cosby and his wife, Camille have donated \$20 million to Spelman College, a black women's college in Atlanta. The gift is the largest single contribution ever made to, a black college and one of the largest donations in recent years to any school. The gift was announced by Johnetta B. Cole, Spelman's new president, during a three-day celebration of her inauguration as the college's first woman president.

Mrs. Cosby and I have been blessed because I found a vein of gold in the side of a mountain," the television entertainer joked.

Nagath Mahfouz, this year's win-ner of the Nobel prize for literature, received Egypt's highest decoration at a celebration at which President Hosni Mubarak cmbraced Mahfouz and placed around his neck the yellow sash called the High Nile Ribbon, nor mally bestowed on heads of state. Mahfouz has said he would not travel to Stockholm for the Nobel ceremony, on doctors' orders.

An 81-year-old former legislator says he is happy he won more than \$39 million in the state lottery, although he was a bit skeptical about having to wait weeks for his first check. James Soper, a Republican from Cicero who served in the Illinois Senate from 1966 to 1978, quipped, "The state's getting all that interest on my money." Soper said he would share 20 percent of his winnings — the second largest Lotto jackpot in state history with his longtime secretary, Lois Anderson, who buys lottery tickets with him. He will receive his first payment in about five weeks, lotery officials said. The prize will be distributed in annual installments of \$1.95 million over 20 years. Soper described his prize as "better than a stick in the eye. It's not going to change my life. I'm too old. I can't get in trouble."

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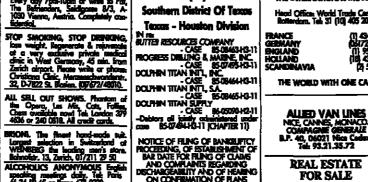
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